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ULSTER FACING CHAOS

BELFAST (UPI). — Northern Ireland faced total chaos yesterday as Protestant militants blocked streets to enforce their six-day-old, general strike. Police came under fire and two "back to work" marches failed.

As the strike brought normal life to a virtual standstill, the Army rushed in 500 fresh troops to aid 15,000 already here.

The body of a man was found in a roadside ditch on Belfast's south side. He had been shot through the head.

Gangs of youths, many wearing green uniforms of the hardline Ulster Defence Association (UDA), hijacked cars, trucks and buses to barricade streets and roads throughout Northern Ireland. Other groups used telephone poles, tree trunks and piles of stones.

Most shops were closed. Royal Avenue in downtown Belfast, the heart of the shopping district, was deserted. Women queued at the few neighbourhood stores that were open and bought up all available supplies.

Farmers reported they were slaughtering pigs and poultry because they had no feed. No bread was being baked, no milk was being delivered. Public transport was at a halt and there was no mail.

Electricity officials said only one power station in the Province was working. Power was cut to individual areas for 12 hours at a time.

The militant Protestants called the strike to protest against what they said was a British Government sell-out of Protestant interests.

In one incident a police patrol came under fire from a pistol and an automatic weapon as it approached a barricade. Sporadic violence was reported throughout the province.

In East Belfast two union-sponsored "back to work" marches were a flop. Only about 200 people turned out for one breakfast-time walk through Protestant pickets at the Belfast docks.

The group was led by Len Murray, Chairman of the British Trades Union Congress (TUC). They made it past picket lines, but were pelted with tomatoes, eggs and lumps of metal as they went through.

In another part of East Belfast only 20 workers showed up for a second organized march to an industrial area.

The marches had been organized to support union and government claims that few of Northern Ireland's 350,000 workers supported the general strike, which has produced the Province's gravest crisis in recent years.

In London, Government officials said more troops are being held ready in both Britain and West Germany for airlifting to Ulster if the crisis grows worse.

Minister for the Environment Roy Bradford said in Belfast "We are engaged on the slippery slope leading to civil war."

The London 'Daily Express' banner headline said "It's anarchy." The 'Daily Mail' headlined "Ulster close to collapse."

The violence was triggered by a recent vote by the new Northern Ireland Provincial Assembly endorsing the Sunningdale agreement. This was signed last December by representatives of the British, Northern Ireland and Irish Republic Governments. Its key provision called for setting up a Council of Ireland in which representatives of the Northern and Southern Irish Parliaments would sit.

Extreme Protestants in Northern Ireland — the self-styled 'Loyalists' — interpret this as the first step towards a takeover of the north by Catholic-ruled Dublin.

Nixon tells K to stay here until his mission succeeds

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger told President Nixon yesterday that he is making "good progress" and Nixon thinks he should remain in the Middle East to conclude his mission successfully, a White House spokesman said.

Gerald Warren, Deputy Press Secretary, said Kissinger reported to Nixon yesterday that he is progressing in his efforts to bring about a troop disengagement between Syria and Israel.

"The efforts he is undertaking are of such importance, he should remain there," Warren said. He added that Nixon told Kissinger "to stay there as long as possible," in the hopes of achieving a break-through on the Syrian front.

"The President is pleased the outlook is very good," Warren said, "both the President and the Secretary are eager to make as much progress as possible."

Warren said that despite his 22-day absence from Washington, Kissinger was able to conduct other foreign policy business. "The Secretary is quite able and does communicate with his department on other issues."

Progress with Assad

DAMASCUS (UPI). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger last night reported progress "in certain areas" following his talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

Kissinger flew off to Israel and will return today to Damascus for further talks.

In a brief departure statement, he said he and Assad had continued "detailed examination of the elements of a disengagement agreement. "Progress was made in certain areas. I am going to return to Damascus tomorrow (Wednesday) for further talks."

"The meeting were conducted in a very cordial and constructive atmosphere," Kissinger added.

Anan Safadi, Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter, adds:

Kissinger last night summoned his chief military and legal advisers to the meeting with Assad as the negotiations on disengagement appeared to centre on interpretating the U.S.-authored troop separation agreement. Both Israel and Syria have accepted the accord in principle. However, the final agreement seemed to depend on Damascus approval of the various clauses before means for their implementation are negotiated at Geneva.

Kissinger's two consultants at the talks were Harold Saunders of the National Security Council and Carlisle Maw, the State Department legal adviser. Also attending were Syrian Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam and U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Political Affairs, Joseph Sisco.

The participation of Saunders and Maw in Kissinger's eighth shuttle in Damascus indicates that the talks might have reached the actual drafting stage of a disengagement accord.

It was not clear last night to what extent Syria's interpretations corresponded with Israel's. Kissinger is trying to eliminate the gap between the two sides in his daily round trips.

Syria's diplomatic representative in Washington, Sabah Kabbani, said yesterday that he was "very optimistic" over Kissinger's efforts. Kabbani, however, cautioned that the achievement of troop separation was not an end in itself, stressing that this was not a peace agreement nor a settlement. The Syrian diplomat added that no peace would be established unless Israel withdrew to the pre-1967 frontiers and the rights of the Palestinian people were restored.

The latter two aims were reported by Damascus radio yesterday to be Syria's two goals. The radio said that Damascus "is determined to see to it that the separation of forces is a step toward fulfilment of these two goals."

In contrast to previous declarations, however, the radio did not say that Syria would insist on "linking" a military disengagement to these two goals. Earlier reports said that Assad has dropped his demand for such linkage within the context of a troop separation while agreeing that further territorial and political issues should be negotiated within the Geneva conference.

Plodding thru details

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The pace of Secretary Kissinger's Israel-Syria disengagement talks seems to have slowed somewhat after the weekend breakthrough when both sides indicated their acceptance of an American-proposed line of separation.

(Last night, U.S. spokesman Robert Anderson said the line was "virtually set.")

Dr Kissinger had found in Damascus on Monday that some minor points with regard to the line had still not been settled to the Syrians' satisfaction, and while these were expected to be surmounted without difficulty, the talks are now moving heavily through the welter of detail involved in the "other aspects" of the disengagement — the U.N. presence, the buffer zone, the limited forces zones, and the PoW exchange.

The Secretary arrived in Israel last night from an afternoon and evening of talks with Syria's President Assad. He is to make another shuttle today, one more tomorrow, and perhaps a final one Friday.

The Secretary and his party remain confident that they can "wrap up" an accord before Friday. But they cautioned newsmen yesterday that the accord was "not yet in the bag."

Information Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday after a working session with the American negotiators that he hoped there would be an agreement by the weekend. But he too stressed that there were still many "weighty subjects" to be negotiated, and these involved literally "hundreds of points of detail."

Each side was very sensitive to every sentence and phrase in the agreement-in-the-making, Peres explained, and this was understandable since any misunderstanding or loose formulation could be a cause of conflict in the future.

Peres said that the talks in Jerusalem on Monday night (which lasted until after two a.m.) and yesterday morning were largely concerned with the latest Syrian reservations over the line of separation. The Israel negotiators had been able to respond to these reservations without the need to convene the full Cabinet because they had been of minor import, Peres added. He said the line under discussion stretched from Mount Hermon in the north to the southernmost point of the Golan Heights.

Peres said that Israel wanted an exchange of war prisoners to take place before implementation of the rest of the agreement, as had been done with the Egyptians in their agreement with Israel in January.

Well-placed sources close to both the U.S. and Israel negotiating teams said yesterday that, while differences over the line of separation are now narrow, there are still wide differences on three of the main subsidiary aspects: the size and nature of the U.N. presence, the limited forces zones — quantity and calibre of weapons to be permitted within them, and the nature of the Syrian policing force which will administer the areas that Israel is to return.

Discussions on the issues are still in their early stages, and whereas two days ago the Secretary was hoping that with agreement achieved on the line the other issues would fall smoothly into place, it now appears that they will need arduous negotiation.

Colonel killed in heavy Syrian attack

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

A young lieutenant-colonel, Ya'acov Keren (Kirshner), was killed by Syrian artillery fire yesterday. Sgan-Aluf Keren, 30, from Ra'anana, a paratrooper, was wounded in the afternoon and died after a few hours.

Fighting in the north was intense yesterday, particularly in the northern sector, hundreds of shells falling in the region of Mazrat Beit Jann, Harfa and Tel Shams for over 10 hours. The Hermon range was also shelled and blasted with Katyusha rockets intermittently during the day, as were several positions in the central sector of the Bulge.

The southern Golan Heights were quiet yesterday, with only a single volley directed at the Ramat Hamagshimim area. No damage was caused and there were no casualties.

More terrorist bases in Lebanon bombed

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Air force planes twice yesterday attacked terrorist concentrations in southern Lebanon. All planes returned safely to base, it was announced.

The first attack was in the Hasbaya region at 12.20 p.m., and lasted for about 25 minutes. According to reports from Beirut six planes attacked the outskirts of four villages in the province: Abu Gamha, Zaghla, Mimes and Kfair.

Exactly four hours later a second wave of planes bombed terrorist facilities and installations at Ein Kina in Fatahland, and at Mahruna in southern Lebanon for a total of 30 minutes. Among targets attacked were several caves and woods where the terrorists are believed to have set up temporary bases.

Yesterday was the fourth time since the Ma'alot massacre a week ago that terrorist concentrations in Lebanon have been attacked from the air. On Sunday, bases on the Mediterranean coast at Rashadiya was shelled from the sea. Foreign reports place the total number of persons killed in the attacks in the past week at over 50.

A Lebanon Defence Ministry statement claimed that three children died and three others were seriously wounded in yesterday's Israel air attacks. They were among a total of 21 casualties, all but one of them children, resulting from the strafing.

The statement also said Lebanese forces exchanged artillery fire with Israel troops in the Argoub area in the morning when an enemy patrol was sighted on Saddaneh hilltop.

NRP still a possible

ILP agree to join Rabin's government

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Independent Liberal Party's Central Committee decided yesterday to join the narrow coalition being formed by the Alignment's Yitzhak Rabin.

The meeting, held at ILP headquarters in King George Street here, confirmed the coalition negotiators' proposal by 93 votes to 13 with 12 abstentions. A proposal of Party Executive Chairman Yitzhak Nenner to form a broad coalition possibly including the Likud was rejected by 78 votes to 21 with 18 abstentions. The dissension at the top level emerged in the voting on this motion with Hillel Seidel, MK, supporting Nenner, and Tel Aviv Deputy Mayor Yitzhak Artzi abstaining.

A further motion to keep the caretaker government in office until elections was rejected overwhelmingly in a show of hands.

There was a closer vote on the motion tabled by Artzi to strive for as broadly-based a coalition as possible. This failed by 78 to 56. This vote highlighted the coalescence of a serious opposition to the incumbent leadership. The majority included party President Pinhas Rosen, its two ministers — Moshe Kol and Gideon Hausner, party whip Yehuda Sha'ari, party secretary Yitzhak Barkai and other functionaries. The opposition included the other two MKs — Seidel and Nissim Eliad, Artzi, Nenner and Tel Aviv branch leader Haim Teichman, who is also on the coalition negotiation committee.

The coalition negotiations resume today in the Knesset with the Labour Alignment, the ILP and the Civil Rights Movement seeking to iron out a final agreement.

At the same time, there are reports of informal Labour-NRP contacts. Groups in both parties were still hoping that some way could be found out of the present impasse so as to enable the NRP to serve in the Rabin coalition. One major argument being used by hawkish Labour people in lobbying inside the NRP was that they were duty-bound to balance out what would otherwise be a dovish cabinet.

One significant indication that the NRP is not entirely out of the coalition was seen in its refusal to take up the Likud offer to form an opposition bloc. Likud chairman Menahem Begin has offered NRP Knesset whip Avraham Melamed the post of chief opposition whip, but the latter has so far politely turned it down. The NRP youth circles are pressing their party to accept Begin's offer.

(Cabinet-making — Page 2)

Soviet experts for Libya

MOSCOW. — Libyan Prime Minister Abdel Salam Jalloud left for home last night armed with a major economic agreement providing for the assignment of Soviet technical advisers to his theocratic nation, East European diplomatic sources reported.

The pact according to these informants, calls for Soviet construction of a railway in Libya, creation of a Libyan petroleum institute to train industry personnel, development of the country's ferrous metal industry and construction of a sea water desalination plant to increase agricultural irrigation.

The projects will require substantial numbers or Soviet technicians, and Jalloud has agreed to their participation, the sources said.

They added that Soviet advisers will also be dispatched to Libya to help develop its oil industry. The Soviet help and equipment will reportedly be repaid with deliveries of oil.

The informants had no details of a reported arms deal between the Rusians and Libyans who are believed to have requested ground-to-air missiles.

Tass reported a joint Soviet-Libyan communique calling for closer relations between Moscow and the Arab world and an expansion of economical and technical cooperation between their countries.

Back terror movement

The communique said there was a wide exchange of opinions on international problems, with special emphasis on questions related to the Middle East.

"The Soviet side declared its firm resolve to continue rendering utmost support to the Arab peoples who are fighting to strengthen their national independence for economic and social progress."

Both sides "resolutely denounce Israel, Zionism and the imperialist forces backing them, which continue to aggravate the Middle East situation, and threaten international peace. The communiqué said they recognised the Palestinian liberation movement" (that is, the terrorist organizations) as an inseparable part of the Arab national liberation movement and would continue to give it every assistance.

It also said Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny, Party leader Leonid Brezhnev and Premier Alexei Kosygin had accepted invitations by Premier Jalloud to visit Libya. The dates would be set later. *(AP, Reuter)*

Terrorist groups reject talks

BEIRUT (Reuter). — Representatives of three ex-Palestinian terrorist groups announced yesterday that their organizations had rejected a negotiated Middle East settlement. They also said they would not take part in the Geneva peace conference.

A joint statement by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the Arab Liberation Front and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine — General Command, said the decisions were made at a meeting of their representatives last week.

Rome won't yield to kidnappers

ROME (Reuter). — The life of kidnapped Genoa Magistrate Mario Sossi hung in the balance last night after the Government rejected his kidnappers' demands that eight imprisoned extremists be released and expatriated.

A Genoa appeal court on Monday granted the eight extremists liberty, provided Dr. Sossi were released unharmed. His kidnappers — the self-styled "Red Brigades" have threatened to kill him unless their demands are met.

But in an address to parliament last night, Prime Minister Mariano Rumor said the Government's position remained one of "intransigent defence ... of the laws of the republic."

"I declare that actions will not be carried out that could justify inadmissible negotiations with a group of criminals who have thrown down a direct challenge to the authority of the State in the gravest possible criminal manner," Rumor said.

This was taken to mean that the Government would refuse to grant the eight extremists passports to leave Italy or in any way cede to the demands of the kidnappers.

Sossi's kidnappers sent word to police yesterday that he was still alive but warned he would not be released until eight convicted anarchists were freed from jail and safe at the Cuban Embassy to the Vatican.

While the Government cannot overrule a court decision, sources here considered it likely that Rumor would order the eight extremists to be put under close surveillance so that they cannot flee the country or go into hiding.

Because settlements defy law

The Jordan is becoming a sewer

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Ministry of Agriculture and its arm, the Water Commission, were accused in the Knesset yesterday of approving plans which will turn the River Jordan into an open sewer, after years of negligence which had left Israel without a single sweet water stream anywhere.

In his reply, Agricultural Minister Haim Gvati put the blame on the settlements in the region.

In an urgent motion for the agenda about the project of Mekorot and Tahal water companies to build an additional dam across the River Jordan below Degania to provide more irrigation water, Likud backbencher Yeddida Be'eri said the stretch of river below this dam would cause serious health hazards. It would no longer have enough fresh water to balance the flow of salt water from the Kinneret mineral springs, the drainage and sewage waters from the localities for miles around as far as Safad, and the considerable industrial wastes from plants in the Jordan Valley and Lower Galilee.

Mosquitoes would find breeding grounds in the foul water, Be'eri warned, while stench and noxious gases would be generated. No wonder the Jordan Valley regional council and the Menahemiya local council strongly objected.

Be'eri said the Water Law gave the Water Commissioner responsibility for preventing contamination of water sources, but the Commissioner was simply passing the buck to the local authorities.

"You are teaching this country's citizens to thumb their noses at the law," he accused. "You are liquidating another of this country's nature spots."

Be'eri said rather bitterly that it was strange for the founding fathers of the Jewish State, who had been attracted from the Diaspora to Eretz Yisrael by the River Jordan as a symbol, among others, to be killing that symbol with their own hands.

Replying to the motion, Mr. Gvati said that were the Jordan Valley settlements compelled to purify their sewage before it entered the river, it would be possible to allow less Lake Kinneret water into the river.

At present, the Minister said, some 10-15 million cu.m. of good water is passed into the river simply to counterbalance the effect of the sewage. The new dam was needed to prevent this loss.

The motion was voted to the Economic Committee.

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Haga chief resigns

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The Chief of Civil Defence (Haga), Tat-Aluf Uri Rom, has resigned from active service. It was learned last night that Rom, who is 47, had planned to resign from active service several months ago, and his decision to leave has nothing to do with the recent terrorist attacks at Ma'alot and Kiryat Shmona.

His deputy, Aluf-Mishne Eitan Shimshoni, has been appointed acting Chief of Civil Defence.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Upper cold front from Cyprus to Egypt is moving eastwards and will cause an inflow of cooler air to our region.
Weather synopsis: Partly cloudy in the north and central regions. Probability of local drizzle. Temperatures below usual for this time of year.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	58	17—20	8—19
Golan	—	19 —	— —
Nahariya	62	18—28	15—25
Safad	59	21—28	8—20
Haifa	60	22—24	13—23
Tiberias	41	17—29	11—27
Nazareth	—	17—22	12—21
Afula	58	14—25	9—24
Shomron	60	19—21	9—20
Tel Aviv	65	19—25	12—22
Lod	56	18—24	12—23
Jericho	43	17—31	14—28
Gaza	71	21—28	12—24
Beersheba	47	20—25	12—24
Eilat	23	21—39	18—36
Tiran	10	— 42	— 39

Social and Personal

Paraguay's Health Minister, Dr. Adan Gody Jimenez, and his wife yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu in his Jerusalem office.

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Nancy Kissinger, wife of the U.S. Secretary of State, yesterday visited the Hadassah Medical Centre, where she was welcomed by the director-general, Prof. Kalman Mann, and Mrs. Marian Lewin-Epstein, of the Hadassah Council in Israel.

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The Mayor of Hebron, Sheikh Mohammed Aly Jaabari, yesterday paid a courtesy call on the Commander of the Judea and Samaria area, T/A Arie Shalev, at the latter's office in Bet El.

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The annual Jerusalem Prize for Education was awarded last night to Dr. Shlomo Haramati for his books on the Hebrew language. The award was presented by Mayor Teddy Kollek and Deputy Mayor Y. Goldschmidt.

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The Norwegian Ambassador, Petter Graver, will speak (in English) on "Norwegian Oil Policy and Oil Resources," at the Haifa Rotary Club, Dan Carmel Hotel, at one o'clock today.

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Mr. Hiram Danin will speak on "Purchase and Registration of Land in Israel" at the regular luncheon meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club, at 1 o'clock today, at the YMCA.

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A guest lecture (in English) on "The Ecological Imperative—Growing Shortages of Natural Resources and the Need for New Global Systems," will be given by Mr. Willem P. J. Boichel at Belgium House on the Hebrew University's Givat Ram Campus at 4.30 p.m. today. Mr. Boichel is Assistant Executive Secretary of the Society for International Development and Editor of "Survey of International Development," published by The Society's Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Italian award for J'lem woman

Jerusalem Post Staff

Veteran Jerusalemite Maria-Berta Zaslany-Consigli, a native of Florence, was yesterday honoured by the city for her role in setting up a mental first-aid service in Jerusalem.

The certificate of honour, one of several Florence gave this year to Florentines who have made a contribution to social services in a foreign country, was presented to Mrs. Zaslany-Consigli on behalf of the Mayor of Florence yesterday afternoon by Italian Consul-General Gloriogio de Andreis, in a ceremony at his Jerusalem home.

The award is in recognition of the Aran Mental First Aid Service, a telephone service manned round the clock to help callers in emotional distress. Mrs. Zaslany-Consigli founded Aran in memory of her late husband, Dr. Arieh Zaslany, a pioneer in public and mental health.

TORONTO WOMEN'S FIRST MISSION TO ISRAEL

The Young Women's Leadership Mission from Toronto, Canada has arrived in Jerusalem to begin its first visit to Israel. And the 38-strong group — which includes 19 members of the Mission and their husbands — will spend 12 days on a fact-finding tour organized by the United Israel Appeal.

The Young Women's Leadership Mission is one of the 50 women's organizations in Canada participating in the educational programmes organized by the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations under the aegis of the United Jewish Welfare Fund. Through their present visit they hope to extend their studies to include not only the agencies and services in Canada, but also the very urgent and real problems facing Jews in Israel.

The leaders of the Mission in Israel — Mrs. Judy Gwartz and Mrs. Cathy Tile — are both active in voluntary work in Toronto and they expressed the Mission's deep commitment to Israel. Outlining their aims, Mrs. Tile spoke of the "excellent contact" which exists between the organization and the U.J.A. in Israel. "We believe, however, that it is more valuable for us to come and view Israel's problems firsthand and try to feel what people here are experiencing."

Mrs. Gwartz added that the visit "by making these Canadian couples more aware of events in Israel, and by giving them information and ideas, could help in the general preparation of the U.J.A. Campaign, which begins in Canada toward the end of this year."

The visit of the Young Women's Leadership Mission to Israel — which was originally planned for October 1973 but was postponed because of the Yom Kippur War — will include tours to projects and settlements in different parts of the country, as well as talks by a number of distinguished Israelis.

(Advertisement)

Labour sources on new Cabinet:

Peres to get Defence but Allon, Sapir are still staying out

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Premier-designate Yitzhak Rabin yesterday decided to offer the Defence portfolio in his new Cabinet to Information Minister Shimon Peres, according to generally reliable Labour Party sources. But he was still stumped by the refusal of Deputy Premier Yigal Allon and Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir to accept posts.

Peres, with the blessings of Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, would welcome the offer, according to two Knesset Members of his ex-Rafi wing. This wing is expected to meet today to decide who will hold the second Cabinet portfolio on its behalf.

Among the delegations to call on the Premier-designate yesterday at his bureau in the Labour Ministry were those from Mapam, the Labour Young Guard and the three Arab MKs affiliated to Labour.

Rabin's main problem appeared to be to jockey skilfully between the main wings of Labour, and the personalities heading them, so as not to cause bad feeling. Having made up his mind to give the Defence Portfolio to Peres, Rabin made it known that Deputy Premier Yigal Allon could have any other portfolio he chose, reportedly stressing the Foreign Ministry as a possibility.

The problem, however, was that Allon still firmly refused, as of yesterday, to re-enter the Cabinet, a refusal which upset many members of his own ex-Ahdut Avoda wing.

If Allon stays out, it seemed certain that Minister-without-Portfolio Israel Galili would stay out of the new Cabinet as well. In that event, Ahdut Avoda was expected to name Danny Rosolio to represent its kibbutz wing, and Moshe Carmel (an ex-Minister) to represent its urban membership. The chances of Yitzhak Ben-Aharon (ex-Histadrut secretary) as an alternative to Carmel were not rated high.

Some Labour circles last night said they hoped Allon would relent and take the Foreign portfolio, which would probably mean shifting Abba Eban from the Foreign Ministry, to be Deputy Premier and Information Minister. Eban's prospects of keeping the Foreign Ministry were seen inversely proportional to Allon's interest in it.

The problem of Finance Minister loomed large. The party machinery, or Gush keymen, favoured the chances of Housing Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz. But prevailing opinion in the Knesset lobbies insisted that Rabin would take somebody from outside the usual reservoir of party leadership, like Bank Hapoalim director Yaacov Levinson or Kupat Holim director Asher Yadlin.

One of the Gush keymen told The Post that Rabin should distribute the Finance, Defence and Foreign portfolios one each among the three wings of Mapai, Rafi and Ahdut Ha'avoda. However, if Allon held back, and an outsider took the Finance Ministry, this neat pattern of power-sharing would not hold.

The ex-Rafi wing will probably convene its members on the Labour Party Central Committee today to decide between Knesset Members Gad Yaacobi and Yitzhak Navon for the second portfolio. Moshe Dayan was said to favour Yaacobi, who worked very closely with him during his period as Minister of Agriculture. Dayan reportedly does not plan to give up his Knesset seat.

However, Rafi will lose much Sephardi support if Navon does not get a Cabinet post at a time when the opportunity beckons at long last. And if Mordechai Ben-Porat, also a Sephardi, carries out his threat to resign his Knesset seat in order to avoid voting for a coalition with Citizens Rights, Rafi will not easily be able to afford a slight to Navon.

Ben-Porat told The Post he would carry on to the bitter end campaigning for a national unity government. He and some of his colleagues were in constant contact with NRP Knesset Members, to try and find a way of getting the NRP into the Coalition.

The first Alignment seat which may be made free, however, is that of Mrs. Golda Meir. Unconfirmed reports in the lobbies said she would submit her resignation as a Knesset Member, after having got her parliamentary vote on disengagement with Syria, but before Rabin presented his Cabinet. This would spare her the necessity of voting for a coalition with CRM's Shulamit Aloni with whom she is not on good terms.

If Mrs. Meir goes, Jacques Amir of Dimona, from the ex-Ahdut A'avoda wing, will enter the Knesset. If Ben-Porat resigns after her, he would thereby ensure that fellow Rafi man Amos Horowitz got in.

The Mapam delegation which called on Rabin yesterday told the Premier-designate that they sought to keep the Health portfolio, and to exchange the Immigrant Absorption portfolio for one of either Labour, Housing or Agriculture.

Mapam said it had no special views on the tenure of the Defence portfolio by Peres, as suggested. Secretary Meir Talmi told The Post: "We wouldn't dictate to anybody else who to put in the Cabinet, and we don't expect them to dictate to us."

The three Arab MKs told him they wanted and Arab Cabinet Minister, or at least a Minister for Arab Affairs. They urged him to do his utmost to effect speedy disengagement on the Golan Heights.

PAGE FROM AN ARAB TERRORIST MANUAL — captured on a raid into Lebanon last September, showing how to booby-trap bodies and boxes of sweets. In the lower right-hand corner is the insignia of the "Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine — General Command" of Ahmed Jibril. The Army Spokesman's office released the picture along with a categorical denial of terrorist claims that Israel Forces have been employing booby-trapped toys in Lebanon. On the other hand, it notes that such booby-traps are exactly what the terrorists have planted many times in Israel, and that on a raid into Fatahland last September 16 the army found piles of Fatah and Popular Front — General Command manuals showing how to booby-trap pens, books, torches, sweets-boxes and corpses. Two booby-trapped transistor radios were found in Israel last December, one of which injured an Israeli Arab woman.

Labour Council won't demand manager's firing

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Council here yesterday rejected a proposal to demand the dismissal of the general manager of the Electric Wires and Cables company, as a condition for calling off the general strike at the plant, now in its second week.

Baruch Schoengross, a council leader, had argued that the manager, Reuven Hirschhorn, had proved himself "exceptionally bad" in labour relations.

Council Secretary Elieze Molk yesterday stated that "emotionally" he supported the demand, but that a public body like the Council could not allow itself to be guided by emotions. He also warned that such a demand would set a dangerous precedent in that works' committees would demand the dismissal of managers and vice versa.

Nevertheless, Mr. Molk said the Council was convinced that the manager's continued service would prevent peaceful labour relations even after the present strike is settled. He expressed his surprise that the Discount Bank investment company's board, which owns the plant, had not itself drawn the necessary conclusions.

Another rally — this time pro-government

A demonstration in support of the Government's attempts to reach a disengagement agreement with Syria will be held today outside the Prime Minister's Office in Jerusalem by a group of writers, university lecturers and Knesset Members.

The demonstration organized by Alignment circles, is aimed at countering the recent anti-Government demonstrations and the personal attacks on Henry Kissinger.

Participants will include Knesset Members Chaika Grossman, Doy Zakkin, Boaz Moav, Meir Pa'il, and Yossi Sarid, Aluf (res.) Mattityahu Peled; actress Gila Almagor; Professors Yirmiyahu Yovel, and Don Patinkin; and the writers A.B. Yehoshua, Elazar Granott, Natan Yonatan, Boaz Evron, Amos Kenan, and David Shaham.

Teachers who fled Ma'alot school suspended pending inquiry

Jerusalem Post Staff

SAFAD. — The three teachers at the Municipal Religious High School here who escaped from the Ma'alot school building last Wednesday, while their pupils remained in the hands of Arab terrorists, were yesterday suspended from their jobs.

The three are Rabbi Yosef Amar, Zion Cohen, and Gadna instructor Yona Amrussi, who was in charge of the outing. The decision to suspend the teachers (all of whom have already left town), was taken jointly by the Safad Municipality and the Education Ministry.

The parents had demanded the immediate dismissal of the teachers, but the Ministry had strongly objected to this pending the findings of the inquiry committee. However, the Ministry agreed through its local inspector to their suspension.

Asked yesterday to comment on his suspension, Rabbi Amar said he considered himself a scapegoat. He wondered in what measure the teachers were to blame after they had been "abandoned on the border by the authorities."

Every one of the teachers who had jumped out of the school building had done so for a good reason, he said. He himself had jumped out after one of the girls, who had been crying for help. He wondered how those who now blamed the three teachers would have acted under similar circumstances.

In Haifa, Technion president Amos Horev, who heads the inquiry committee chosen to investigate the Ma'alot outrage, said the committee would start work by the end of the week. Its three members, picked on Monday for the job by the Premier, are now busy clearing their calendars, he said, and intend to complete the inquiry in the shortest possible time. He estimated it should take no more than two to three weeks. Sessions may be held in the north, possibly in Haifa.

The police spokesman said yesterday that the findings of the police's own inquiry into the Ma'alot tragedy would be made public only after the Government has published its own report. He said the police report had already been submitted to the Police Inspector-General, Rav-Nitzav Shaul Rosolio.

At the Safad school whose upper classes were the victims of last week's massacre at Ma'alot, most pupils were back in class by yesterday. Some of them were also regularly attending prayers in the homes of the bereaved families, and the children visit their wounded classmates in hospital. Hundreds of letters and cables of sympathy and solidarity have been received at the school from all over the country.

Yesterday the country's two Chief Rabbis, Rabbi Shlomo Goren and Rabbi Ovadiah Yosef, paid separate visits to Safad, called on the Mayor, paid condolence visits to the bereaved families and went to see the wounded pupils in the local hospital. When Mayor Aharon Nahmias told Rabbi Goren that only 55 per cent of the Galilee population was Jewish, the Chief Rabbi advised him to open a bureau in Jerusalem for settlers in Galilee.

At the various Jewish settlements in Galilee, some Arab employees had by yesterday returned to their jobs, after having been absent since the massacre. Works committees were doing their best to persuade Jewish workers to receive their Arab colleagues back again. Public alertness was continuing in the area, with the police getting dozens of calls from residents about "suspicious persons or movements." All calls were being checked.

Arabs protest move to separate joint council

NAZARETH. — Many Israeli Arabs have expressed their resentment at the Ma'alot residents' demand to have their local council separated from that of the neighbouring Arab village of Tarshiha.

"Itim" reports that appeals have been pouring into Government offices from Arab villages in Galilee and the Jezre'el Valley asking that the Ma'alot-Tarshiha Local Council — the country's only joint Jewish-Arab council — remain united. Many Arabs feel that the Ma'alot residents' demand to have the council broken up in the wake of last week's terrorist attack is a slight on the residents of Tarshiha.

Another reason the Tarshiha residents would like the joint council to continue operating is that a Government commission is due shortly to visit Ma'alot to assess its needs, and they would, understandably, like to benefit from whatever advantages the neighbouring Jewish settlement receives. *(Itim)*

LOTTO

THE WINNING numbers in this week's Lotto draw were: 66, 69, 12, 14, 15 and 33. The additional number was 63.

'Ma'alot massacre can't be justified,' declares Russia

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Soviet Union yesterday condemned the use of terror against civilians, however, just the cause, including the seizure of school children by Palestinian terrorists at Ma'alot last Wednesday.

A commentary in the government newspaper "Izvestia" published the first full account here of the incident and repeated earlier attacks on "Israeli treachery" which led to the death of over 20 Israelis and the three terrorists.

"Terror against peaceful citizens is not the weapon of a just struggle even in the name of the most just cause," the newspaper said.

However, the paper said the frustrations of the Palestinians, banished from their homes for over a generation, were understandable, although their action at Ma'alot could not be justified.

Israel's leaders were clearly unhappy at the developing sympathy among Western governments for the Arab cause, "Izvestia" said. They "need tension, under condition of which everything is permitted" and "everything will be forgiven."

In a similar commentary, Tass News Agency compared General Moshe Dayan to hanged Nazi Adolf Eichmann, for using the Ma'alot incident as "a pretext to prolong the Israeli illegal occupation of Arab lands."

Newsmen charge they were beaten at Ma'alot

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Foreign Press Association in Israel yesterday protested what it called the manhandling of newsmen by army and police officers during last week's Ma'alot tragedy. In a telegram to Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, Information Minister Shimon Peres and Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, the association charged that "during the course of the day at Ma'alot, many accredited correspondents and photographers were beaten and had equipment broken by both police and military officers. Newsmen were kicked, struck, pushed, threatened to be shot, and hit with the butts of rifles and otherwise abused."

The complaint was directed not against the general populace present in Ma'alot, but against "those in command of all the security forces, who should not have lost their heads, nor have permitted discipline to break down. They not only allowed but even participated in the beatings of newsmen."

Dutch condemn Lebanon raids

THE HAGUE (Reuter). — The Dutch Government yesterday condemned Israel's military actions in Lebanon as harmful to the cause of peace and expressed its regret that the actions had resulted in a large number of civilian casualties.

The government spokesman recalled that on May 16 the government had stated that it had learned with dismay of the tragic events in Northern Israel (the Ma'alot massacre) in which a large number of school children and others had fallen victim and added:

"Just as it expressed its indignation at this act of terrorism, and thereby condemned all acts of terrorism committed under the pretence of seeking to achieve freedom, peace and quiet in the Middle East, so it now condemns the Israeli military actions in Lebanon, which must equally be considered harmful to the cause of peace."

To BELLA and XAVIER FEDERMANN

Heartiest congratulations on the marriage of your children

Michael and Leora

Fanny and Bernhard Rosenblum-Kimche, Jerusalem

Kimche Family, Switzerland

Rabinowitz: Prefabs from Yugoslavia for 1,000 *olim*

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Housing Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz said yesterday that 10,000 families and single persons among the new-immigrant population were living in transitory housing, awaiting flats.

It was to help meet this problem that a Yugoslav company would soon put up 1,000 prefab flats here under Government contract, said Mr. Rabinowitz in his maiden appearance as Housing Minister.

The apartments would take between four to ten months to go up in contrast to the over two years it took for local construction. The Yugoslav company would send over both the materials and workers. The workmen would get their Israeli visas through the Belgian embassy in Belgrade, and would be put through the usual security checks, Mr. Rabinowitz said.

He was replying to a motion for the agenda by Yitzhak Modai (Likud), who declared that Israel itself could build all the housing it needed by correct planning and by the elimination of concealed unemployment (see story on page 3).

Mr. Modai objected also to the import of Yugoslav workers, noting that Israel refused to have Yugoslav troops stationed in the Sinai desert with the U.N. forces.

Israel's building industry simply could not keep up with growing demand, Mr. Rabinowitz said. There was an increase in the number of young people getting married every year and an increase in those who had to be moved out of crowded or bad housing. Further, between the years 1970 to 1973, some 200,000 immigrants had arrived in Israel. The number of immigrants who had arrived from the start of 1972 until this month was 120,000.

The Yom Kippur war had prevented completion of 10,000-12,000 flats and prevented the start of about 10,000 more, he said.

The Yugoslav prefabs would be four storeys high and rise on pillars. The skeleton, roof, stairs and shelter would be made of reinforced concrete, with cement and wood being used for the remainder. The standard of 300 flats put up in early 1972 by a Yugoslav firm was found to be good, he said.

Earlier, in answer to a parliamentary question by Akiva Nof (Likud), Mr. Rabinowitz detailed the following "point credits" for young couples applying for Housing Ministry flats:

Number of years married 10%, size of family 10%, crowdedness in present flat 20%, present housing situation 10%, income 25%, size of groom's family 4%, size of bride's family 4%, number of brothers and sisters up to the age of 21 living with the parents of the couple's family 5%.

A total of 2,000 points was the maximum that could be achieved, he said.

The following loans were made available in accordance with the number of points:

IL15,000, — 400 to 499 points,
IL25,000 — 600 to 799 points,
IL35,000 — 800 to 999 points,
IL40,000 — 1,000 to 1,199 points,
and IL55,000 for 1,400 points and more.

Mr. Nof: What has your Ministry done to bring this table to public attention? There are long queues outside Ministry offices of people who only want to find out how the points are calculated.

Mr. Rabinowitz: I can't answer that exactly now. I'm prepared to look into it and inform you in writing.

GOLAN DRUSE WANT TO STAY IN ISRAEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MAJDEL SHAMS, GOLAN. — The Druse of the Golan will insist on moving to other Israel-held land if the Government decides to hand back to the Syrians any part of the Golan which contains their villages.

This was stated this week by Sheikh Soliman Kanj Abu Salah, leader of the Golan Druse. He stressed that he was expressing not only his personal opinion, but that of the majority of the Druse population.

The community, about 10,000, is confused by the news of a partial retreat from the Golan. It expects from the Government that in any separation-of-forces agreement with the Syrians the four Golan Druse villages will remain on the Israeli side of the line.

Katzir visits Bahai shrines

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — President Ephraim Katzir yesterday paid his first official visit to the Bahai shrines and the leaders of the faith in Acre and Haifa. He was received in the Persian Garden here by the nine members of the Universal House of Justice, the supreme authority of the faith, and was shown the plans for the $10m. House of Justice building, to be completed in five years.

The President told his hosts that he had recently studied the teachings of the Bahai faith and was deeply impressed by its striving for the unity of mankind and its search for goodness, brotherhood and peace.

Later, he visited the wounded children from the Ma'alot massacre who are still hospitalised in Haifa and Nahariya. The President told reporters he bore no grudge against the Safad residents who caused the disturbance at the funeral of the victims and forced him and Deputy Premier Yigal Allon to leave the cemetery. He said he could understand their grief, but felt that "we must learn to control ourselves in difficult circumstances, too."

Extra defence budget in Fall, Sapir tells Knesset unit

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A supplementary defence budget will almost certainly be submitted to the Knesset in October or November, Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir yesterday told the Knesset Finance Committee. If tragedies like the Ma'alot terrorist massacre were to be prevented, said Mr. Sapir, there was no choice but to spend more money on security.

He told the committee that defence spending was an important factor in inflation: defence imports cost an average $110m. a year between 1962 and 1965, going up to $350m. between 1966 and 1969, and to one billion dollars annually between 1970 and 1974.

Meanwhile, Police Minister Shlomo Hillel said yesterday a national civil guard would soon be set up, enlisting veterans over Haga (civil defence) age as well as yeshiva students.

Mr. Hillel told the Knesset Interior Committee that retired persons had been asked to serve in the police reserves. He said an interministerial committee was working on the administrative details.

Speakers of all factions, including Labour, complained that there was no guiding hand in the Government in connection with domestic security.

ISRAELI HOOPSTERS beat the Argentinian national basketball team 96-94 at the Na'aman Stadium last night. The score at half-time was 55-52. A return match will be played at Tel Aviv's Yad Eliahu Stadium tonight.

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Conductor and Soloist: Lukas Foss
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Those attending are asked to donate generously for the injured at Ma'alot.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved husband, father and brother
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There will be a memorial assembly at his graveside, at the Herzliya Cemetery, on Thursday, May 23, 1974, at 4 p.m.
The Family

Hausner favours no-confidence vote on individual ministers

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Knesset should be entitled to vote a motion of no-confidence in a particular Minister, and secure his resignation — without condemning the whole Cabinet, Gideon Hausner, Minister without Portfolio, yesterday told a symposium organised by the Israel Management Centre at the Holyland Hotel in Jerusalem.

Acknowledging the principle of collective responsibility which rules in Britain's Parliament, Hausner pointed out that there is a difference. The Cabinet in Britain is appointed by a single party and represents a single policy. Israel is ruled by coalitions, and one faction in the coalition has no say in the choice of Ministers by other factions.

Supporting the principle of individual responsibility right down the line, Mr. Hausner welcomed the recent resignation of senior military officers who had blundered. "Civil servants cannot shelter behind their Minister," he said. "It is a pity we needed a bloody war to learn this lesson."

He added that the failure of a subordinate involves the Minister. "If the Minister knew what was going on, he should resign. If he did not know, he should resign too, because he ought to have known."

Subject of the symposium was the division of functions between the legislative arm (the Knesset) and the executive arm (the administration). Mr. Hausner observed that as legislation becomes more complex, the Knesset increasingly delegates law-making powers to the executive. It enacts a framework law, and allows the Minister concerned to gazette ordinances for applying its provisions. Sometimes there are more regulations and penalties gazetted in this way than enacted by the chamber. This cannot be avoided, owing to the mass of technicalities involved.

THREE REMEDIES

Mr. Hausner suggested three remedies. Maximum publicity should be given to the ordinances before they are published, so that shortcomings can be detected in good time and brought to the notice of the parliamentary authority. Second, a team of experts should be formed under the Ministry of Justice, to examine the ordinances from all angles before they are gazetted. Third, a special Knesset committee should be formed (like the Knesset Committee on the State Comptroller) to deal with such "delegated legislation."

Mr. Hausner maintained that a Minister entrusted with the application of a law is also required to apply it. If he cannot, he should say so to the Knesset. Some laws are left to hang fire, like the National Service Act of 1953, which requires the mobilisation of observant girls for civilian tasks. Nothing has been done to enforce it over the last 21 years. Another example is the Kanowitz Law against vehicles expelling pollutant fumes.

Mr. Hausner recalled that when he was Attorney-General, he told the Minister of Justice that his conscience would not allow him to apply the penalties against attempted suicides and homosexuals, as laid down in the Mandatory laws.

"It is bad to leave legislation in existence when it is not, or cannot be enforced. That brings the law into disrepute," he said.

New gov't jobs for Arab graduates

Jerusalem Post Staff

ACRE. — Forty-four new Government jobs will be offered to university-educated Arabs by public tender, mainly in the Ministries of Interior, Justice, Education and Culture and in the Prime Minister's Office's Minorities Section.

This is one of the recommendations of a committee of Ministry directors-general on the employment of Arabs in the civil service. It has the Prime Minister's approval.

Another recommendation calls for Arab representation on four inter-ministerial committees dealing with Arab affairs: Moslem religious property, the El Al daily, the permanent settlement of Beduin and the release of absentee property. The directors-general have recommended Arab representation on various other committees, among them that for public tenders and even that for the absorption of Jewish immigrants.

The Adviser to the Prime Minister on Arab Affairs, Shmuel Toledano, has been charged with carrying out the programme. He expects this to take about four months.

Meanwhile, expanding Arab education requires another 3,000 classrooms, costing about IL200m. This estimate was given this week by the Deputy Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs, Uri Thon.

Mr. Thon noted that under the law the duty of building educational facilities falls on the local authorities; but he thought these would not be able to bear the expense. In the past year the Ministry of Education has spent IL12m. on schoolhouses in Arab villages. Mr. Thon expects that this year the outlay will rise above IL20m.

At the other end of the job scale, the number of Arabs from the administered areas employed in Jerusalem has fallen from 8,500 to 7,000 since the war, the Jerusalem Labour Council reports.

Most of the Arab workers — approximately 5,500 — are employed in the building trades. Another 1,390 are engaged in industry and services, and the rest are in gardening and agriculture. The labourers hail from the Hebron, Bethlehem and Ramallah areas, but there are also a small number who commute to the Capital from the Gaza Strip and Northern Sinai.

According to officials of the Jerusalem Labour Council and the city's Labour Exchange, the decline in the number of Arab workers results from newly-found employment opportunities in their own home regions. A council official put it this way: "With the outbreak of the war a great many of them stayed away because they were afraid to be in the city. In the subsequent weeks, many of them looked around and discovered job openings closer to home. They took these jobs, and are now sticking with them. Nevertheless, there is a definite trend back to Jerusalem.

More money, but fewer *olim* to spend it on

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministry of Immigrant Absorption is spending over 30 per cent more this year than last year on finding employment for new immigrants, Absorption Minister Shlomo Rosen told the Knesset Finance Minister on Monday. But meanwhile the drop in immigration continues.

The Ministry spent IL28m. on employment opportunities in the 1973/74 fiscal year and is spending IL46m. in 1974/75, Mr. Rosen said.

He said his Ministry was encouraging newcomers to develop their own initiative in the job market in view of the serious employment situation for them.

As to the numbers of immigrants, just released Jewish Agency figures show that immigration from both east and west continued to drop last month.

The following are the arrival figures for April, with comparative numbers for April 1973 in brackets: Latin America, 312 (430); West Europe, 127 (186); U.S. and Canada, 148 (214); and South Africa, 16 (33).

The number of newcomers from the Soviet Union last month totalled 1,613 as against 2,822 in April 1973. According to reports, about 200 Soviet emigrés *en route* to Israel last month changed their minds and chose to go elsewhere.

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Cricket season opens Saturday

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — They'll be bowling googlies, hitting sixes, catching 'em in the slips and yelling "howzat?" again on the more-or-less-green playing fields of Israel this Saturday when the cricket league season opens. There will be 12 teams competing in two zones, northern and southern.

The Israeli cricketers — who hail mainly from India, South Africa, Australia and Britain — play on teams in Ashdod (three sides), Tel Aviv, Petah Tikva, Ramle, Lod, Beersheba, Yeruham, Haifa, Kiryat Ata and Kibbutz Yizre'el.

This will be an important season for the 400-odd active cricketers in the country, as next month a representative team will be chosen to tour Britain from August 22 to September 12.

The chairman of the U.K. tour committee, Ralph Hadani, said the Israeli team will play 12 to 14 matches in Britain. They will face Jewish cricket elevens; the English club sides Mowbray, Harrow and 5705 Bournemouth (who have played in Israel); and a village team.

There will also be two games in Dublin, and the highlight of the tour will be a game against an Essex County eleven at Chelmsford, the county cricket ground.

The tour follows the extremely successful visit of Israeli cricketers to Britain in 1970. It will be sponsored by the Israel Cricket Supporters Association in England; the English test cricketers Ken Barrington, Alec and Eric Bedser; and journalist Terrence Prittie.

All-prefabricated shikun withstands heavy winter

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem's first all-prefabricated *shikun* is nearing completion in the Kiryat Hayovel neighbourhood. The 178-unit project, in Rehov Stern, was executed by Solel Boneh, the Histadrut's construction company.

According to Yosef Leader, head of the firm's Jerusalem building department, the flats completed before the winter withstood the heavy rains and snowstorms without any problems. He said that was ample proof that the quality of pre-fabricated construction was by no means inferior to that of conventional building methods.

Although use of pre-cast outer walls is not new to Jerusalem, the Kiryat Hayovel venture marks the first time interior components, too, were assembled and cast as individual units before the building skeleton rose. These components included sewerage systems, electrical distribution networks, kitchen interiors and other elements.

All of the pre-fabricated members were produced at a special field plant established by Solel Boneh in the Capital's Talpiot industrial zone.

Mr. Leader told members of the Jerusalem Labour Council he was "surprised" to learn of plans to invite foreign building firms to work here when the potential of pre-fabricated housing in this country has not yet been fully explored.

Last Thursday Housing Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz disclosed the Government has decided to bring in a Yugoslav contractor to put up 1,000 dwelling units throughout the country. He said the Yugoslavs could do the job faster than local builders.

Teachers suspend strike at T.A. special schools

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Teachers Union, at odds with the city over conditions in Tel Aviv's 18 special-education schools, has again postponed its threatened boycott of the schools Union sources said it will wait a few days to hear the impressions of Education Ministry director-general Elad Peled, who yesterday toured several of the schools.

The controversy centres on the siting of the Netzah Yizrael school for retarded children. The Union wants the school moved into the building that formerly housed the Dubnow School; but the City has earmarked this for a junior high school under the Education Ministry's school-reform plan.

The City has instead offered Netzah Yisrael the former Yosef Haglili School building. But the union fears this location could produce friction between Netzah Yisrael's 140 retarded youngsters and the normal children at the elementary school next door.

Second court order on Silwan road

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Silwan road was yesterday the subject of court action when the Sephardi Council in Jerusalem obtained an order from the High Court of Justice calling upon the Municipality to show cause why it should not permit the road to remain closed so that it can be excavated for old graves.

Last week Arab residents of Silwan and Abu Tor obtained an order *nisi* calling upon the Municipality to show cause why it should not reopen the road.

The road was closed last month when it was undermined by a Jewish religious association digging on its fringes for old graves. Buses to Silwan must now make a seven-kilometre detour through Abu Tor.

In its application, the Sephardi Council said the road built by the Jordanian occupation authorities in the 1950s passed through part of the Mount of Olives cemetery where Jews have been buried for hundreds of years. Before 1948, the Council stated, only a dirt path for pedestrians passed between the graves. This was replaced by the Jordanians with an asphalt roadway that passed over graves. The Council claimed that the Municipality was now planning to reopen the road.

SMOKING a cigarette in a Tel Aviv cinema cost Zalman Eichenbaum, 41, of Jaffa, a IL450 fine in Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday. He was also given a two month suspended sentence.

New institute to train better-rounded teachers

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

One reason the average Israeli high school pupil respects the sciences more than the humanities is that none of the 10 specialist teachers he is usually exposed to is likely to be capable of giving him humanistic values.

This opinion was stated last week by Hebrew University philosophy professor Eliezer Schweid, who was telling newsmen about the establishment in Jerusalem of the Kerem Institute for Humanistic Jewish Education. The institute aims to change the situation by producing high school teachers with a well-rounded education, who will be able to impart humanistic Jewish values to their students.

In its first year the institute will select 20 high school graduates, who will study 15 hours at the institute while at the same time taking their first degree at the Hebrew University. After receiving his B.A. each will spend a further year of full-time studies at the institute, which will then grant him his teaching licence, Prof. Schweid said. Scholarships of up to IL5,000 are available for deserving students, he added.

The Kerem Institute, provisionally located in Rehov Pinsker, is sponsored by the Alliance Israelite Universelle and a newly formed group for humanistic education. The latter is headed by Prof. Schweid, retired educator Mordechai Cohen, and high school teacher Israel Eliraz.

The venture has been made possible by the pledge of $100,000 annually for four years by an anonymous French donor. The planners are working in cooperation with the Education Ministry and the Hebrew University, Prof. Schweid said.

A IL75,000 FINE for failure to pay IL258,000 in purchase taxes on alcoholic beverages was imposed on Hasharon Winecellars, Ltd., of Petah Tikva, and its former manager, Yosef Zubeida, in the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court yesterday.

Honour French policeman who saved Jews

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Yad Vashem yesterday honoured a French police chief who during World War II saved many Jews and who after the war played a key role in helping refugees board the "Exodus" for their trip to this country.

Mr. Laurent Leboutet planted a tree in the Avenue of the Righteous Gentiles at Har Hazikaron in Jerusalem yesterday. He had already received the Yad Vashem Medal of Honour at a ceremony in Marseilles some time ago.

As commander of special police at Blois in the Loir-et-Cher district during the war, Mr. Leboutet helped many Jews escape from occupied France. He was able to free several Jews already in concentration camps, and later helped to hide them and provide them with food ration cards.

After the war he happened to be the officer charged with checking the papers of people boarding the "Exodus." He allowed everyone to board, although he knew well that the ship was not headed for Spain — its official destination — but for Eretz Yisrael.

Mr. Leboutet has been active on the Marseilles-Haifa Twin Cities committee and he and his wife are currently attending a Hebrew ulpan in Netanya.

Public warned against shady tour operators

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministry of Tourism yesterday warned the public against unauthorized operators who offer foreign tours on attractive terms.

The Ministry spokesman, Michael Gidron, said such operators advertise inaccurate information to mislead the public, causing gullible customers financial losses. He added that court action against some unauthorized "travel agents" has resulted in a number of convictions.

Mr. Gidron urged caution in placing deposits for trips with any but licensed tour operators. Wherever there is doubt about the *bona fides* of any agent, guidance may be obtained by inquiries in writing or by phone to Ya'acov Levi, at the Tourism Ministry in Jerusalem.

"When my travel agent told me about the "Holland and Beyond" programme, my mind was made up.

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This summer I wanted something really special, and so my travel agent came up with the "Holland and Beyond" programme.
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Run-of-the-House Holland for instance, offers 2, 3, 4, or 5 days stay in Amsterdam at a standard category hotel with breakfast. Included is a Grand Holland tour plus a free choice of excursion for each day's stay beyond the first. The prices (per person) are remarkably low. 2 days – from $ 27.40*, 3 days — from $ 46.70, 4 days — from $ 66.40, 5 days — from $ 86.—

Then there is the **Happy Holland Tour** comprising 3 days by coach to the Enclosure Dyke, a 22 mile marvel of pre-war engineering; Arnhem, Rotterdam, with the world's largest port and the 600 foot Euromast, and The Hague, Holland's elegant seat of government with wide boulevards and open squares. I couldn't believe the cost. Full board per person from only $ 92.70.
But besides the tulips and the windmills, the canals and the castles, there are the unique nights of fun in Amsterdam and The Hague. Escorted night tours give an intimate inside view of the "new morality", which in Holland is a fact rather than theory.

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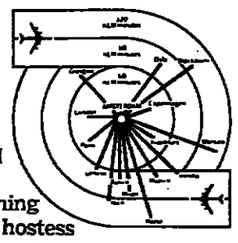

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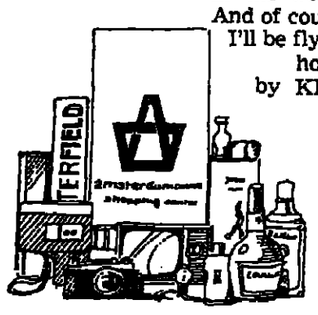
I have decided to fly back to Israel from Amsterdam, so that I can take full advantage of Schipol Airport's **tax-free shopping centre,** the largest and least expensive in the world.
And of course I'll be flying home by KLM.



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CHOU AVOIDS CEREMONIES BUT STILL SETS POLICY

By K.C. THALER

LONDON (UPI). — China's aged Premier Chou En-lai has decided to abandon his heavy ceremonial commitments because of failing health, but he continues to run Peking's foreign policy, high diplomatic sources said yesterday.

The 76-year-old Chou is feeling his age and has been advised to give up the burden of heavy day-to-day ceremonial functions for the never-ending stream of visiting foreign leaders and dignitaries, the sources said.

But Chou continues to direct China's foreign policy and has kept up the flow of negotiations with foreign statesmen, even while avoiding formal receptions, banquets and other official arrangements.

The diplomatic sources said Chou has neither lost control of China's foreign policy, nor have his powers been curtailed. But at 76 anything can happen.

Chou has stayed away in recent weeks from official receptions for a number of visiting foreign leaders. But he met all of them for negotiations which he conducted throughout, the sources said.

His absence set off speculation among foreign diplomats in Peking and abroad that Chou may be on his way out.

Such speculation had also been circulating earlier, during the anti-Confucius campaign when some reports suggested Chou had fallen out with Mao Tse-tung.

Finally, there have been suggestions that Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping, ousted during the cultural revolution, but rehabilitated and elevated recently to the Politbureau, is being groomed as his successor.

Teng has been much in evidence in recent months, but authoritative sources maintain that Chou has remained the directing force in Peking, under the overall guidance of Mao.

Nor has Peking's foreign policy undergone a major change, as has been suggested by some reports, the diplomatic sources said. The regime is at present preoccupied with domestic problems.

China's policy toward the United States remains basically unchanged. Policy developments have slowed down but they have not bogged down, the sources said. Relations were described as good, with Peking and Washington marking time. Relations with the outside world continue to improve.

Russia has remained the enemy number one and relations are worse than ever, the sources said.

The Soviet offer for a summit with Mao Tse-tung was termed wholly unacceptable for Peking. Negotiations on the border issue are completely deadlocked, but the Soviet maintain their negotiating team, minus its head in Peking.

The Peking regime is aware, according to the sources, that Russia is waiting for the demise of Mao when Moscow is expected to start probing for opportunities to open a dialogue.

Archbishop Makarios visits the Great Wall of China on Monday. (AP radiophoto)

Makarios ends visit to Peking

PEKING (Reuter). — Thousands of gaily-dressed children, dancing and chanting slogans, gave Cyprus President Archbishop Makarios a rousing send-off when he left Peking by air yesterday morning for Shanghai. The President, accompanied by Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping, inspected a guard of honour at the airport.

At a banquet on Monday night, Makarios, on his first visit to China, paid tribute to Chairman Mao Tse-tung, who he said was inspiring and guiding the Chinese people in shaping their destiny. Makarios also held talks with Premier Chou En-lai.

Kuwait 'not planning' oil embargo against U.S.

BEIRUT (AP). — Kuwait will not try to reimpose the Arab oil embargo against the U.S., Oil Minister Abdul Rahman Atiki was quoted as saying Monday.

"We do not want to be the enemies of the American people nor do we seek the hostility of the U.S. he said in an interview with the independent Beirut daily "Al Bayrak."

"We consider the U.S. is the only country that is sincerely working for peace in the Middle East. it has abandoned its traditional support for Israel because it believes in human justice," Atiki added.

His statement contradicted an embargo threat made by the ruler of Kuwait, Sheik Sabah al-Salem al-Sabah, in an interview with the same newspaper five days ago.

Sheik Sabah was quoted as saying Kuwait would press for reimposition of the embargo if U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger's current peace-making efforts in the Middle East failed to produce a Syrian-Israeli military disengagement agreement. Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Ahmed Zaki Yamani hinted similarly at a reimposition of the oil embargo in an interview on Sunday with the Beirut newspaper "Daily Star."

Arab observers believe the sudden breakthrough Kissinger apparently made over the weekend toward a Golan Heights disengagement caused the change in Kuwait's public stand on the oil issue.

"There will be no return to the embargo, at least under the prevailing circumstances," Atiki told "Al Bayrak." "But if a new element appears, we shall reconsider the issue."

The embargo, applied against the U.S. during the October war, was lifted in March. But the Arab oil producing nations still maintained a 15 per cent cutback from the pre-war production levels.

Arab oil ministers are expected to decide whether to abolish the cuts and an oil embargo against the Netherlands at a meeting in Cairo next month.

Giscard's promises in opposition bill

PARIS. — The opposition Socialist Party yesterday said it will introduce all President-elect Valery Giscard d'Estaing's campaign promises in the form of a bill when Parliament reopens next week.

The bill will include all the victorious Conservative candidate's promises for social reform, said a spokesman for the party — whose leader, Francois Mitterrand, was narrowly defeated in the presidential election on Sunday.

"Since the promises were made, we want to see that they are kept," the spokesman explained. Also, he said, "We want to show that Parliament can take the initiative of proposing laws, which it has rarely had in recent years, and regain some of its power."

The Socialist Party plans to introduce its bill during a debate in the National Assembly next Thursday, the day after Giscard's Government, as yet unannounced, meets for the first time.

Politicians predicted yesterday that Giscard will spring surprises when he announces his Cabinet. They said there was a growing belief among parliamentarians he might appoint a Prime Minister who is not a member of the National Assembly and a Finance Minister who is a leading banker or civil servant.

Yesterday Giscard left Paris for an unknown destination to take what his aides called "a 48-hour sabbatical" following the gruelling seven-week election campaign during which he travelled 30,000 miles around France.

Giscard said on Sunday: "I have had the government in my head for a week." But he gave no names.

Among politicians speculation was rife that he would go outside of Parliament for a new Prime Minister who would help weld together the "two nations" revealed in an election which gave him a victory by only 1.6 per cent of the vote.

Names being mentioned are Treasury Director Claude Pierre Brossolette, 46, and Inspector-General of Finances Paul Delouvrier, 60. Giscard might, however, turn to a Gaullist — the party still commands a majority in Parliament — and Justice Minister Jean Taittinger, Equipment Minister Olivier Guichard and Defence Minister Robert Galley are among the favourites.

The Finance Ministry, in which Giscard has a special interest as holder of the office for 11 years, could go to a leading banker or a high official, politicians believe. They refused to speculate whether Giscard would dump Foreign Minister Michel Jobert, toughest practitioner of France's policy of independence from the U.S.

The Communist Party said yesterday its presidential candidate, Mitterrand, lost because 18-year-olds did not have the vote. *(Reuter, UPI)*

'Britain will cut defence budget,' minister says

WELLINGTON (Reuter). — Britain's new Labour Government expects to make bigger defence spending cuts than ever before, British Minister of State for Defence William Rodgers said Monday.

But he said at a press conference that peacekeeping operations in Northern Ireland would not, in terms of cost, directly influence the review.

Rodgers, who arrived here on Sunday night for talks with New Zealand's Labour Government, said he was here to get New Zealand's views on the British presence in the Far East and the five-power Singapore arrangement. This arrangement is a loosely linked regional defence pact between Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia and Singapore.

The British Minister said the size of Britain's defence spending must be weighed against other commitments, the balance of payments, and the economic situation, with a clear understanding that very substantial cuts must be made. The sort of savings the government was looking for on the present defence budget of £3,500m. were larger than any considered before, he declared. The review would cover European commitments as well as southern Asia, he added.

India defends right to hold atom tests

India, in the face of sharp criticism at the 25-nation disarmament conference, in Geneva yesterday, maintained its right to conduct further nuclear explosions but said it has no intention of developing nuclear weapons.

Canada and Japan led attacks at the conference session on the nuclear explosion conducted by India last Saturday.

Indian negotiator Brajesh C. Mishra said, however, that India has an "inherent right to use nuclear explosion technology for peaceful purposes and to pursue experiments in that direction."

He said India has not become the world's sixth nuclear power as such because all countries developing uses of nuclear energy are nuclear powers.

"Those which develop or possess nuclear weapons are nuclear weapon powers. India has no intention of becoming a nuclear weapon power," Mishra said.

Earlier, Canadian delegate William H. Barton said the Indian explosion "represents a severe setback to the efforts to halt all nuclear testing and to check the proliferation to more countries of nuclear exxplosive devices.

"Canada has made it clear that it sees no difference between the development of nuclear explosives intended for peaceful purposes and the development of nuclear explosives for military purposes," Barton said.

Ambassador Masahiro Nisibori of Japan made the same point, saying "there is no distinguishing between a nuclear test for peaceful purposes and a nuclear weapons test."

Pakistan, meanwhile, said it was reserving its statement for the appearance at the conference tomorrow of its permanent secretary of state at the Foreign Ministry, who is coming to Geneva especially to state the Pakistani position.

However, Pakistani newspapers yesterday stepped up their criticism of India's nuclear test, saying it was a blow to detente and suggesting that Pakistan might have to develop its own nuclear deterrent.

And in Washington, Foreign Minister Aziz Ahmed said that Pakistan will seek greater guarantees of its security from atomic attack. He said Pakistan would seek protection from the permanent UN Security Council.

Asked if Pakistan accepted India's pledge to use nuclear power only for peaceful purposes, Aziz Ahmed replied "We do not," adding that India and Pakistan have fought three wars in the recent past. "Obviously we could not ignore this new threat to our security," he said.

Despite all the criticism, the chairman of India's Atomic Energy Commission said yesterday in Bombay that the country might set off a second nuclear explosion soon if it is felt more data is required. A complete evaluation would take at least six months and there could be more explosions after that, Commission Chairman Homi Sethna told reporters. But he added that a second blast could come earlier if investigating scientists felt the need for more data to do a proper analysis. *(Reuter, AP, UPI)*

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Australian Labour now ahead in election

Premier Whittam. (AP)

CANBERRA (Reuter). — Late counting of votes yesterday in half a dozen crucial electorates marginally improved the Australian Labour Party's chances of being returned to power after last Saturday's general elections.

Political analysts were predicting a three or five-seat labour majority in the 127-seat House of Representatives, although the result might not be known until next week because of the closeness of the vote and the complicated distribution of preferences.

Opposition Liberal Party leader Bill Snedden was still hoping that absentee and postal votes might swing the result. "It's still too early to concede defeat. It will be some time before the result is known," he said.

Prime Minister Gough Whitlam has likewise refused to claim victory.

The outcome of the Senate elections also remained in doubt, although both sides agree that Labour will gain at least 29 of the 60 seats.

But the possibility remained that the Liberal-Country Party coalition would retain control of the Senate — the situation which led Whitlam to call elections after only 17 months in office.

AP reports that the prospect of a narrow Labour election victory wiped millions of dollars off share values in Australian stock exchanges yesterday, as prices fell to their lowest levels in months.

UK tightens arms embargo on Chile and South Africa

LONDON (Reuter). — The British Labour Government yesterday ordered Rolls-Royce to cancel its contract to overhaul aircraft engines for the Chilean Air Force and banned the export of spare parts.

Prime Minister Harold Wilson announced the further tightening of the British arms embargo against the Chilean military junta.

The government, which strongly disapproves of the Chilean regime, has previously announced that it would allow delivery of previously ordered warships — two submarines and two frigates.

Wilson said the government had asked Rolls-Royce to give three months' notice for the termination of the contract for overhauling the aero engines for Chile.

Wilson also told the House of Commons that the government was revoking the export licence for one Westland Wasp helicopter for South Africa. The previous Conservative administration had approved licences for the export of seven helicopters, of which six have already been delivered.

King asks queen to stay away

NEW DELHI (UPI). — King Palden Thondup Namgyal of Sikkim on Monday said he had asked his wife to remain in New York "for her own happiness" but denied reports he has separated from the former New York socialite Hope Cooke.

"I have asked her to remain in New York for the time being for her own happiness," the 51-year-old king of the Himalayan kingdom said on a semi-official visit to New Delhi.

"But there is no question of divorce," he said. "We talk often by telephone and I visited her in New York in March.

"She is so sensitive and I do not want her to suffer," he said of his queen, whom he met when she toured India with a group of classmates from Sarah Lawrence College in New York and married in 1963.

Agnew discussing trade in Kuwait

KUWAIT (Reuter). — Former U.S. Vice-President Spiro Agnew arrived in Kuwait on Monday night for a private visit to this Gulf oil state.

Agnew was understood to be meeting a number of leading Kuwait businessmen for talks on trade and economic matters.

Jordan to display new U.S. weapons

AMMAN (Reuter). — New weapons will be displayed at a Jordanian armed forces parade next Saturday marking independence and army day, army command sources said here yesterday.

They said the weapons would include fighter planes and anti-tank missiles recently received from the U.S.

Fahmi accepts Peking invitation

CAIRO (UPI). — Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmi yesterday accepted an invitation from the Chinese Government to visit Peking, the semi-official Middle East News Agency said.

Appeal for reinstatement of popular Soviet priest

MOSCOW (Reuter). — More than 300 Muscovites have appealed to the Russian Orthodox Church for the reinstatement of a popular priest who has resigned.

The appeal — copies of which became available yesterday — said Father Dmitri Dudko was "a wonderful pastor, a deeply religious man and an example for all other priests." Informed sources said more than 300 signatures were on the original, handed to the Moscow patriarchate this week.

Father Dmitri, 53, announced after regular evening services on Saturday at suburban St. Nicholas Church where he has been curate for almost 15 years, that he was not going to preach any more because of "interference by the godless in the internal affairs of the church."

He made his decision after he was ordered to stop his outspoken question-and-answer sermons, which have been drawing growing numbers of people, and was told by church officials that he was being transferred outside Moscow.

The appeal, addressed to Patriarch Pimen, said worshippers were deeply disturbed. Father Dmitri "did nothing wrong, but only taught the word of God. We ask for him to be returned to us," it added.

The priest answered written questions during his sermons. He often touched on controversial aspects of the role of the church in the atheist Soviet state.

On May 4, he told his congregation that Patriarch Pimen had told him not to hold any more sermons until "I speak with him."

But on Saturday, as he announced his decision to resign, he said he had not been received by the patriarch, although he had asked for an audience several times. Only a secretary saw him.

Father Dmitri explained he was not going to leave Moscow because the transfer was a punishment. He recalled he had been stopped from preaching once before by juridical authorities and that only protests from the congregation resulted in his reinstatement.

SOLZHENITSYN CHARGES TREASON FRAME-UP

'KGB forged letters'

NEW YORK (AP). — Exiled Russian author Alexander Solzhenitsyn claims in the current issue of "Time" magazine that the Soviet secret police, KGB, tried to set him up for a possible treason arrest.

He said that in 1972 the KGB used forged letters, purportedly written by him, to correspond with the Russian National Association, a small emigre organization based in Brussels that deals with Czarist military history.

The article is the first by the dissident writer since he was expelled from the Soviet Union and took up residence in Zurich.

Solzhenitsyn said the letters first merely asked for information about World War I, but then suggested that the group's director, Vassili Orekhov, come to Prague.

"Apparently the aim was to arrest some Russian emigres from the West who were visiting Prague and to construct around them a criminal case that would have demonstrated that I had links with emigre organizations," he wrote.

Solzhenitsyn said that on the day after his expulsion, "a confidential order went out for all libraries to burn the few remaining editions of my works and to destroy completely all copies of a literary magazine that contained my stories."

The writer said that the secret police "have started putting systematic pressure on all people suspected of being my friends or even only acquaintances."

In Zurich, he said, Soviet citizens "telephone or come uninvited to my home. They warn me to be careful of my children."

Two Basques die in gun battle

SAN SEBASTIAN, Spain (Reuter). — Two members of the outlawed Basque Separatist organization ETA were shot and killed in an exchange of gunfire with police while attempting to land on a beach close to this Northern Spanish port, police said yesterday.

Nepalese to replace U.N. Irish troops

CAIRO (Reuter). — Nepalese troops serving with the UN Emergency Force will replace the Irish battalion which has been called home following last week's bombings in the Irish Republic, a UN spokesman said Monday.

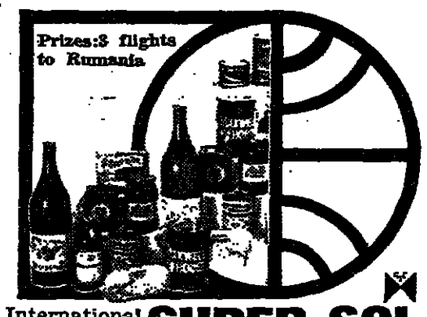
The 571-strong Nepalese contingent has mainly been held in reserve at the Unef Cairo headquarters and it sometimes relieved other units.

The Irish troops manned the northernmost sector of the buffer zone between Egyptian and Israeli forces in Sinai.

EEC may finance refugees' education

BRUSSELS (UPI).— The European Common Market Executive Commission yesterday proposed the market set aside $7.85m. for financing the post-primary education of Palestinian refugee children, a market spokesman said.

The commission proposal, now being sent to the Council of Ministers for approval, was in response to an appeal by the UN Relief and Works Agency.



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ARABS TO BUILD ARMS INDUSTRY

CAIRO (AP). — Arab defence and foreign ministers on Monday unanimously approved the establishment of a massive Arab-owned arms industry.

Egyptian Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Adel Ghani Gamasy told newsmen after an evening session that the conference decided that Cairo will be the venue of the industry.

He said a technical committee will work out the details and an announcement to this effect will be made after it completes its work.

Iraq, Syria and Libya, were not represented by ministers. Iraq gave no explanation for her absence. Libya sent a junior delegation. Syrian Defence and Foreign Ministers were engaged in the talks on Golan disengagement.

The ministers gave no public sign that one or all of the Arab states should be ready to send emergency help to aid Lebanon against Israel attacks.

But Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy said "aggression against any Arab country is aggression against all of us and we will not close our eyes to any aggression in the Golan or in Lebanon," the official Middle East News Agency reported.

The foreign and defence ministers had been scheduled to discuss the 1954 Arab League agreement that commits each of its members to rush to the aid of another when its security is threatened.

But a report on Arab security delivered by the Egyptian Chief of Staff to a closed session of the Council Monday afternoon apparently steered away from a final statement on mutual defence. Instead Gamasy was quoted by the agency as saying that a developed Arab manufacturing capability is the basic pillar of Arab security.

Under previous agreements, each of the member states is committed to providing two per cent of its national income toward setting up a massive modern arms industry that would end the Arabs' dependence on the West and the Soviet Union for arms supplies.

Iraq and Iran agree on withdrawal of troops

NITED NATIONS (Reuter). — raq and Iran have agreed to the rompt, simultaneous withdrawal of roop concentrations along their enire common border, and the early esumption of talks on bilateral ssues which led to sharp clashes ast February, the U.N. reported esterday.

Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim nformed the Security Council of he accord, obtained by his special epresentative, Mexican ambassador alls Weckmann-Munoz in talks in he area last month with both overnments.

Dr. Weckmann-Munoz was appointed in response to the Council's equest for an investigation of the order dispute after the two nations exchanged charges of agression.

The Council is expected to meet on May 28 to consider the report. Informed sources said the Iraqi and Iranian governments would implement the agreement reached with Dr. Weckmann-Munoz after the Council took formal note of or endorsed the report.

In his findings and conclusions, the U.N. representative said he had learned from both governments that in most of the areas of recent clashes the frontier had never been clearly delimited.

There was widespread disagreement on whether particular stretches of land belonged to the territory of one party or the other, he said. This was also demonstrated by the fact that maps showing different border lines were used by Iran and Iraq apparently without either side being aware of it.

Gunmen fall asleep during 20-hour siege

SEOUL (Reuter). — A 20-hour siege in a central Seoul tea room proved too long yesterday for three gunmen who had killed a policeman and held 23 hostages. All three fell asleep and woke up under arrest.

Troops and police surrounding the building burst in after an employee of the tea room had found the men sleeping and telephoned the forces outside.

The gunmen were overpowered at once. No one was hurt in the scuffle, police said. But earlier, during a chase by car and bus through Seoul, the men shot and fatally wounded a patrolman trying to arrest them near a toll gate.

The three, an army private and two civilian friends, commandeered a car on Monday with weapons stolen from the private's unit. They shot the patrolman and when their car broke down they hijacked a bus and drove to the city centre, crashing through several police roadblocks. The gunmen took three hostages from the bus and held up the tea room with 33 people inside. During the siege they released 13 people.

The army private told reporters by telephone that the action was to protest against conditions at his army unit. He claimed his seniors often beat the recruits and demanded money.

Doctor talks gunman into surrendering

OTHENBERG, Sweden (Reuter). – A young gunman surrendered to olice yesterday after his doctor alked him into coming out of the hemist's shop here where he was olding five women hostages.

The gunman was identified by one f the hostages who threw a piece f paper with his name on it through n open window. Police were then ble to contact the doctor who had een giving the man psychiatric reatment.

The doctor and a policeman reaoned with the gunman, a former onvict, for an hour before he was inally coaxed into giving up his ub-machine gun and releasing the ive women. He was taken to hosital for treatment.

The man, in his early 20s, had demanded the release of two well-known criminals from Swedish jails.

The hostages, who included a 17-year-old shop assistant, spent a tense night in the shop after the armed man walked in on Monday and took them prisoner.

He said in a telephone interview he would shoot it out with police if they stormed the shop but would not harm the hostages.

His demands were for the release of two Swedish criminals, Jan-Erik Olsson and Clark Olofsson, themselves serving jail sentences for holding four hostages for nearly six days in a Stockholm bank last August.

Geneva police seek bandit

ENEVA (Reuter). — Police were ast night still looking for a fourth unman who fled after an abortive aid on a Geneva bank yesterday in hich two women were held hostage uring an 11-hour siege.

Three other members of the gang ere hunted down by police on Monay night shortly after the distraught women were released unarmed.

Two of the black-hooded bandits ere recaptured by police using racker dogs and a third wounded ember of the gang was discovered iding in a Geneva apartment.

Police said another man was beng questioned by police, but it was ot clear whether he was connected with the hold-up.

Police yesterday criticised the carnival atmosphere which surrounded yesterday's bank siege, when more than 500 local residents and newsmen watched developments from the terraces of five nearby cafes — one a mere 10 metres from the bank.

"The presence of so many people and their proximity to the scene of the action did not favour a satisfactory ending to the affair," a police official said.

Senior police officials complained last night that when the bandits emerged from the bank the dozens of popping photographic flash bulbs which greeted them could have triggered off a dangerous situation.

Greek fire walkers defy bishop's ban

LANGHADAS, Greece (Reuter). — Hundreds of tourists watched 50 bare-footed peasants dance apparently unharmed on red-hot embers here yesterday, as they defied their bishop to revive an ancient tradition.

The revival of the centuries-old ritual was denounced by Bishop Spyridon, Metropolitan of Langhadas, as "black magic and a diabolical orgy remnant of medieval black magic."

The bishop threatened to refuse the peasants church rights, such as baptism and weddings, if they participated in the fire dancing.

But local authorities and most of the population rejected the bishop's denunciations and ignored his threats. The local Thracean folk culture centre organized the traditional ritual which is known as the "Anatenaria."

Before their ordeal, the dancers sat around icons of Saint Constantine and Saint Helen for several hours, preparing themselves. They also sacrificed a consecrated lamb and gave away the meat to the village poor.

Then, worked into a trance by the beat of drums and the wail of a primitive three-stringed lyre, the fire-walkers headed for a huge pyre of wood in the square of this sleepy township, and danced in turn for several hours.

The soles of their feet were apparently unharmed by the red-hot embers.

The ritual is said to go back to the seventh century, when the peasants of Thrace rushed barefoot to save icons of the saints from a church set on fire by invading pirates.

Pro-Israel demonstrators were ejected from the U.N. building in New York on Monday after staging a half-hour sit-in protesting against the U.N.'s failure to act against Arab terrorism. (AP radiophoto)

Rival terrorists blamed for shots at Damascus rally

BEIRUT (UPI). — Rival Palestinian terrorist groups were to blame for the shooting incident in a refugee camp near Damascus on Monday which broke up the symbolic funeral of the three terrorists killed in Ma'alot, the daily newspaper "Al Sharq" said yesterday.

The funeral procession ended in disorder just as Nayef Hawatmeh, leader of the Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PDFLP), began to speak.

"Al-Sharq" said the terrorists who fired aimed their weapons into the air, but several people were injured in the scramble to get away.

"Al-Sharq" said disruptive elements in the crowd belonged to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) of George Habash and the "PFLP General Command" of Ahmed Jebreel.

Hawatmeh, in a separate interview, condemned the "subversive" elements who he said were trying to sow discord in the ranks of the "Palestine revolution." He did not identify those responsible for the Damascus incident.

Hotel fires Arabs for security of Dutch soccer team

THE HAGUE (UPI). — The newspaper "De Telegraaf" said yesterday two staff members allegedly fired for security reasons from the West German hotel where the Dutch world cup soccer team will stay, were a Moroccan and a Tunisian.

The manager of the Krautkraemer Hotel in Hiltrup said on Monday that an earlier report of two dismissals was "sheer nonsense." A spokesman for the German Federal Security Police said he had never heard of the removal of two staff members.

"De Telegraaf" said German security officers screened the hotel staff because "Holland still is considered a likely target for Palestine terrorists because of its pro-Israeli attitude."

The newspaper quoted Dutch soccer league secretary Henk Burgwal as saying "I indeed had contacts with the West German justice authorities, about measures to protect the world cup team."

Cairo editors switch posts

CAIRO (AP). — Ali Amin, appointed editor of the semi-official newspaper "Al-Ahram" in February, is leaving his post to assume the chairlishing House, Amin confirmed yesmanship of "Akhbar el-Yom" Pubterday.

Ali and his twin brother, Mustapha, founded "Akhbar," "Al-Ahram's," major publishing rival in Egypt, in 1944.

Ahmed Baha-eddin, a respected writer and columnist on "Al-Ahram," will take over as "Al-Ahram's" editor. Ihsan Abdul-Koddous, who presently holds the post going to Ali Amin, will come to "Al-Ahram" as a writer.

The changes came to light less than 24 hours after President Anwar Sadat held meetings on Monday with leading Cairo editors. The changes are expected to take place within the week, sources said.

Communist force nearing Saigon

SAIGON (Reuter). — Government armoured columns pushed along provincial roads north of here yesterday in search of elusive Communist forces which appeared to be on the move after menacing the northern approaches to the Capital.

A major armoured thrust moved toward the encircled own of Phu Giao, where militiamen and an infantry company had come under heavy shelling and ground attack, field reports said.

But yesterday the Communist artillerymen melted away, at least temporarily, as government planes poured bombs onto the rubber plantation where they had taken cover.

The focus of pressure appeared to have shifted to Phu Giao from the district town of Ben Cat which was menaced at the weekend by a mixed North Vietnamese and Vietcong force at the bank of the Thi Tinh river, less than 40km from Saigon.

Libya boosts Syrian war effort by $50m.

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — Libya has given Syria $50m. as a contribution to the war effort, an official statement said here yesterday. It said the Central Bank of Syria received a cheque for the sum a few days ago.

LEFT-WING HITS EXILE OF CAETANO

Mozambique to be offered independence within a year

LOURENCO MARQUES (Reuter). — Portuguese Minister Dr. Antonio de Almeida Santos said here yesterday that independence would be one of the options of a referendum to be held here in about a year's time.

The Minister, here on behalf of the Lisbon provisional government which followed the April 25 military coup, also said he hoped Mozambique itself could have a new provisional government next week which would represent all ethnic groups.

Dr. Almeida Santos, who as Minister of Inter-territorial Co-ordination is responsible for Portugal's overseas territories, said a referendum to be organized in each of the overseas territories in about a year's time would be "more or less on the principle of one man, one vote. "If they opt for independence, then independence must be accepted."

He said people under 18 would not vote but it would not be a proper referendum if the past system were followed of only literate people voting.

Meanwhile in Lisbon, Portugal's left-wing parties, including the influential Communists, yesterday protested against the exile to Brazil of former Premier Marcello Caetano and ex-President Americo Thomaz.

In the first public rift over policy between politicians and the military junta, the left-wingers stressed that such important political decisions should be taken only after full consultations.

The Communist Party said in a statement that in view of crimes committed by the former right-wing regime the exiling "cannot but profoundly shock the working class, the workers, all those who suffered in the almost 50 years of fascist tyranny."

Many left-wingers had called for the investigation — even trial — of Admiral Thomaz and Dr. Caetano because of political repression and torture of prisoners under their rule. The junta banished the two to Brazil on Monday.

Permanent protection will be given to the two former leaders, Brazilian Government sources said yesterday in Sao Paulo. The two men, now in the Hilton Hotel, will remain under protective guard for the next few weeks and a permanent vigil would be kept over their future residences, the sources said.

MAGRUDER GETS 10 MONTHS

Jaworski accuses Nixon of turning office into 'farce'

WASHINGTON. — Watergate special prosecutor Leon Jaworski said yesterday that President Nixon is making a "farce" of his office by refusing to comply with subpoenas despite his public pledges of cooperation.

Jaworski's comment came as James D. St. Clair, Nixon's chief Watergate lawyer, indicated that Nixon would defy two subpoenas issued last week by the House Judiciary Committee in its impeachment inquiry.

In another development yesterday, Jeb Stuart Magruder, the No. 2 official in Nixon's 1972 re-election organization, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica to a minimum of 10 months in a federal minimum security institution for his part in the Watergate case.

Jaworski's challenge to the President's willingness to accept the prosecutor's independence was disclosed shortly after judge Sirica ordered Nixon to obey a subpoena from the special prosecutor's office demanding tapes of 64 conversations sought as evidence in the Watergate cover-up trial.

After the order, Vice-President Gerald Ford said the White House should turn over any tapes "relevant to a criminal proceeding." St. Clair said the White House would appeal Sirica's decision.

In a letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee, Jaworski said, "The crucial point is that the President, through his counsel, is challenging my right to bring an action against him to obtain evidence. Or differently stated, he contends that I cannot take the President to court. Acceptance of his contention would sharply limit the independence that I consider essential if I am to fulfil my responsibilities as contemplated by the charter establishing this office.

"Any claim raised by the White House counsel on behalf of the President that challenges my right to invoke the judicial process against the President, as I am doing in an effort to obtain these tapes at the trial in U.S. vs. Mitchell (Former Attorney-General John Mitchell) et al, would make a farce of the special prosecutor's charter and is in contravention of the understanding I had and the members of your committee apparently had at the time of my appointment."

St. Clair told reporters as he arrived for yesterday's closed session of the House Judiciary Committee that he knew of no change in Nixon's position that the panel already possesses "the full Watergate story." The subpoenas set a 10 a.m. deadline today for an answer. One seeks 11 more Watergate tape recordings and the other seeks entries from Nixon's official diary for portions of nine months in 1972 and 1973.

Judge Sirica ordered that Magruder serve a 10-month to four-year term in a minimum security institution and gave him until June 4 to surrender himself.

Magruder was the first Nixon insider to publicly admit his own involvement in the Watergate case and the first to publicly accuse others in the cover-up.

"My ambition obscured my judgment," Magruder told Sirica in a brief statement. He said he still doesn't know how he surrendered "my moral precepts."

(AP, UPI, Reuter)

THAI GOV'T RESIGNS

BANGKOK (Reuter). — The Thai cabinet resigned yesterday six months after it had been appointed in the wake of bloody student riots which toppled the country's military regime.

Police and troops were immediately placed on alert to forestall possible violence and the powerful National Students Centre of Thailand called on the Thai people to be on the watch for any coup attempt.

Prime Minister Sanya Dharmasakti and his 15-member government had been under criticism for their handling of the nation's affairs and for failing to act forcefully enough in the face of severe economic and social problems, including the world-wide oil crisis, inflation and student and labour unrest.

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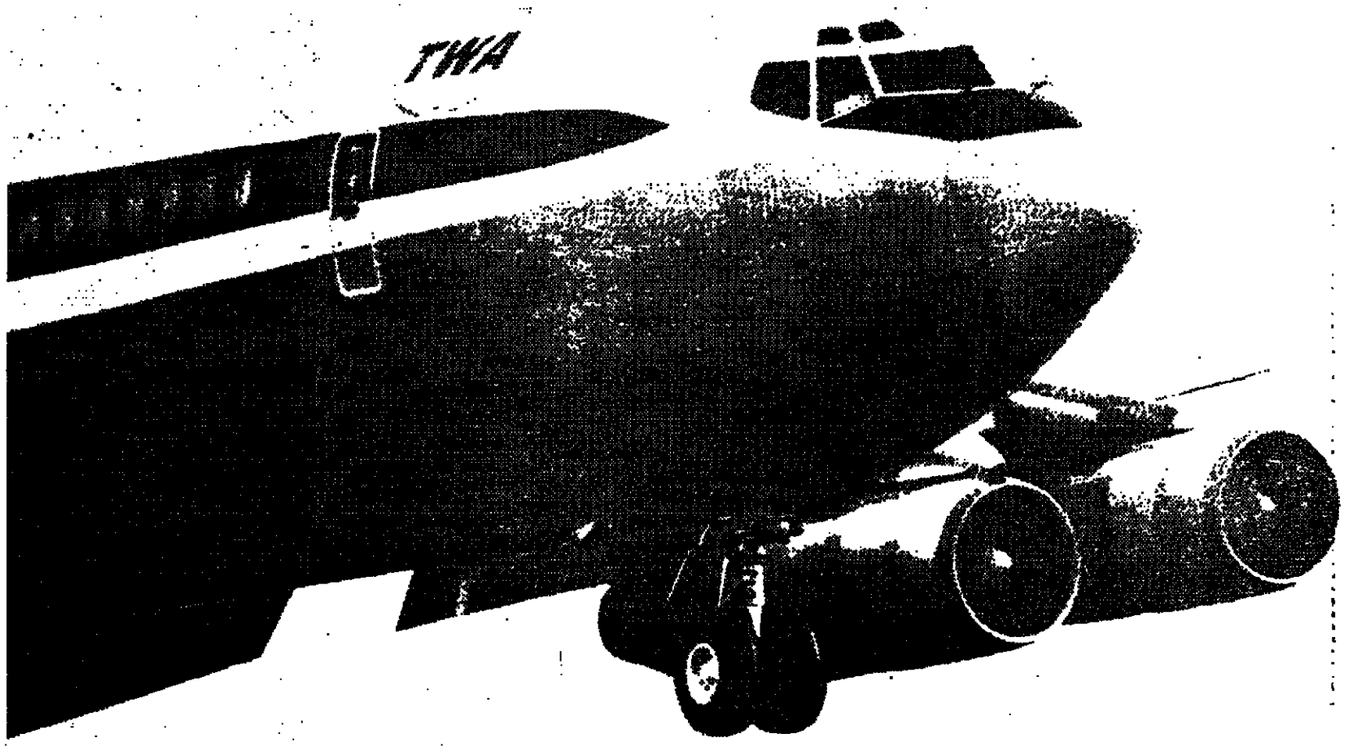

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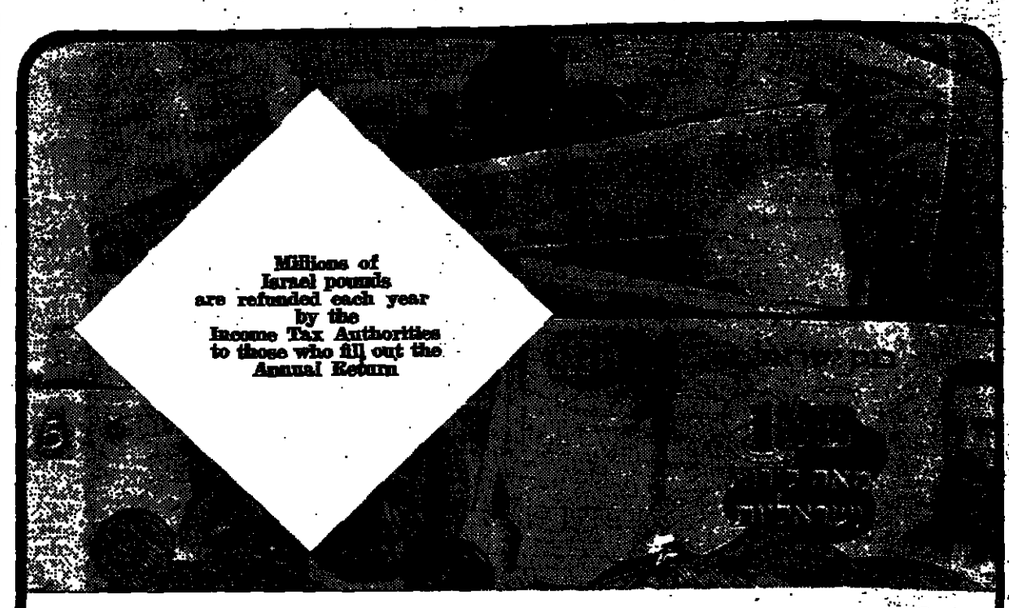

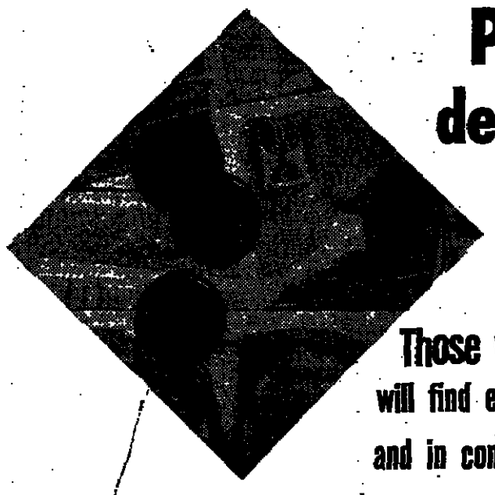

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COME TO THE MASS RALLY

The remnant of Portuguese Jewry

Geoffrey Wigoder's JEWISH SCENE

THE Jewish community in Portugal numbers 650 — all, except a couple of dozen, in Lisbon. Geographically, they are heirs to the famous Portuguese Jewry of the Middle Ages but these Jews belong to families that have arrived in the country over the past century. Reports from Lisbon say that leaders of the Jewish community have sent a telegram to General Spinola and the military junta wishing them success for their plans to establish freedom and peace in the country.

In medieval times, the Portuguese community flourished for only two or three centuries — from the 13th to the end of the 15th. During this period, it produced well-known scholars, physicians, financiers, and travellers. It was well-organized and closely connected with the Spanish Jewish communities. After the expulsion from Spain in 1492, many Spanish Jews went to Portugal where, however, their new security proved shortlived. Four years later, the Portuguese monarch ordered the expulsion of Jews from Portugal — then changed his mind and had almost the entire community converted by force to Christianity. There are many heartrending stories of the sufferings of the Jews in this period.

Marranos created

These events created a large body of Marranos who had been made Christians against their will and who continued in secret to remain faithful to their Judaism. In the following centuries, some of these were assimilated in Portugal but many slipped away and proudly reasserted their Judaism — forming a major element in the Sephardi congregations of the Western world. As a result of these processes, it was thought that the old Portuguese Jewry had disappeared within Portugal — until 60 years ago when a community of Marranos was discovered in the remote northern part of the country. Over the centuries, they had managed to retain their identity, had married only among themselves, called themselves Jews, and maintained certain Jewish observances. This discovery aroused widespread interest in the Jewish world in the 1920s and this was compounded when a Portuguese military hero of Marrano descent, Arturo Carlos de Barros Bastos, converted to open Judaism and threw himself into the work of re-establishing traditional Judaism among Portuguese Marranos. A synagogue was opened for them in Oporto in 1938. Help was sent from outside communities — a rabbi from England and a cantor-shochet from Turkey.

However, this movement has practically come to nothing. Hardly a word on them appears in the Jewish press and only in the last few days have I seen a report on their fate — by Jacob Beller in the Toronto Jewish journal "The Chronicle Review."

Beller writes that the Jews in Lisbon gave him conflicting reasons for the failure — some thought they were let down by Jews abroad, others suggested that excess publicity at the time caused damage. However, he writes, the truth is that the movement aroused the hostility of the Catholic Church. When the return to Judaism involved military officers, bankers and high municipal officers, the Church found its holding power called into question. It therefore exerted its maximum influence to put an end to the movement. It was largely successful — but not completely. There are still groups in remote places who practice Jewish customs (such as not eating pork and lighting candles on Friday evenings) but their number is now apparently very small.

Jews (initially, British Jews from Gibraltar) openly lived again in Portugal from the early 19th century. In 1868 they were permitted to construct their own cemetery and in 1892 to hold religious services. In 1910, the Republic was established and a couple of years later the community was allowed to perform ritual slaughter, keep marriage registers, etc. A 1933 decree granted freedom of religion to all citizens, while maintaining Catholicism as the State religion.

War refugees

By the 1930s, there were nearly 400 Portuguese Jews who, by the outbreak of World War II, had been joined by over 600 refugees who were granted "resident" status. The most distinguished member of the community was — and is — Professor Moses Amzalak, a noted economist, president of the Portuguese Academy of Sciences, former Chancellor of the Lisbon Technical University, head of the Jewish community, and friend and associate of President Salazar. During the war, Portugal maintained a liberal policy, extending its "protection" to many Jews, and allowing Jewish rescue operations and organizations (such as the Joint) to operate from its territory. (Wilfrid Israel, the Jewish Agency wartime emissary to Portugal, lost his life — as did the actor Leslie Howard — when the Germans shot down the plane in which they were returning to England from Portugal, under the impression that Churchill was among the passengers). Thousands of refugees were allowed to enter Portugal during the War, on condition that they would eventually move on elsewhere.

Today's community is about half Sephardi, and half Ashkenazi. Most of the latter (mainly of German and Polish origin) have settled in the country since the War. Most of the Jews are in business, estate and construction and, especially, the liberal professions. There are five synagogues — those in Lisbon are the only ones in regular use (and even the Ashkenazi synagogue closes for the summer). Apart from the Oporto synagogue there are two in Faro in Southern Portugal, where the community numbered 50 families at the beginning of the century but where now there are only five Jews in the entire province.

Lisbon synagogue

A picture of Jewish life in Portugal today is given in an article by Richard Yaffe, which has appeared in "The Jewish Digest." He visited the Lisbon Sephardi synagogue after finding it listed in his guidebook among the "foreign church services." The building is a Moorish structure sitting well behind a wall with nothing outside to mark it as a synagogue. The Saturday morning minyan gathered with difficulty — and with the help of a few tourists. The Hazzan, Rev. Isaac Toledano, was formerly of Tangier. The *parnas* was Brazilian-born, of Tetuan parentage, who has been in Portugal since 1955. He is the director of a number of successful manufacturing companies, with branches in France and elsewere. Yaffe says that, of all the Jews he spoke to, only this *parnas* showed any faith in the survival of the Portuguese Jewish community, and even he appeared half-hearted.

The danger to the community is that as the older people die, there are no replacements. Many of the young Jews see no future for themselves in a Portugal "which is suffering from a stagnant economy and beset by a colonial war" and are seeking their careers elsewhere — some in Israel, others in France, etc. (it remains to be seen whether the recent developments will encourage some of these young people to see their future in Portugal). The exodus of the young not only decreases the size and viability of the community but increases the chances of intermarriage.

According to the *parnas*, Jews are accepted readily in Portuguese society. The birthrate is quite high but he estimated the intermarriage rate at 25 per cent. Some replacement in the community is afforded by a few American Jews who have settled in Portugal, but these are mostly in the elderly category. Another member of the congregation told Yaffe that he would never encourage Jews to come to Portugal.

Rev. Toledano said that from 1962 to 1973 there were 150 deaths in the community and only 25 births. There are three or four bar-mitzvas a year, but since 1962, he has had only 12 marriages. The congregation is largely kept up by death dues — its members pay only a small regular fee but the families pay heavy death taxes. There is a kasher butcher shop, although kashrut is the exception rather than the rule.

Although Israel has no diplomatic relations with Portugal, it has maintained a consulate-general and the Israeli presence has been a constant source of encouragement for the small community.

WHY WE 'LOVE THE HILLS'

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel's "love for hills" — particularly in its conflicts with Syria — dates back three millennia, Information Minister Shimon Peres explained to Dr. Henry Kissinger in a letter this week. Mr. Peres wrote to the U.S. Secretary of State taking up remarks by Dr. Kissinger about Israel's "love for hills"—an apparent reference to the strategic hills around Kuneitra which Israel refuses to cede to Syria or to the U.N. Mr. Peres wrote:

It all started when King Ben-Hadad of Syria launched his aggression against Israel.

He sent messengers to Ahab, king of Israel, who said unto him. "Thy silver and thy gold is mine; thy wives also and thy children, even the goodliest, are mine. And the king of Israel answered and said, My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I am thine, and all that I have." (2 Kings 20, 3-4).

Ben-Hadad was sure of victory, Mr. Peres continued, but the king of Israel recovered from his initial anxiety and warned his adversary in a ringing phrase: "Tell him, Let not him that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off." (1 Kings 20, 11).

And now we come to the hills: "And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their gods are gods of the hills; therefore they were stronger than we, but let us fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than they." (1 Kings 20, 23).

The war started. "And the children of Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids; but the Syrians filled the country... And there came a man of God, and spake unto the king of Israel, and said, Thus saith the Lord, Because the Syrians have said, The Lord is God of the hills, but he is not God of the valleys, therefore will I deliver all this great multitude unto thine hand, and you shall know that I am the Lord." (1 Kings 20, 27-28).

Israel won the war, and the Syrians were ready for a "separation of forces."

Ben-Hadad suggested to Ahab: "The cities which my father took from thy father, I will restore; and thou shalt make streets for thee in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. Then said Ahab, I will send thee away with this convenant. So he made a convenant with him, and sent him away." (1 Kings 20, 34).

All that took place in the 10th Century B.C.E.; and the negotiators used horses!

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SHIMON PERES

FRENCH N-TESTS TO RESUME NEXT MONTH

PARIS (Reuter). — France will now probably launch a new series of nuclear tests in the South Pacific next month.

All is ready at the nuclear test centre on Mururoa Atoll, in French Polynesia, senior officials here say. Two French warships, the Orage and the Seine, are on their way to the centre for the tests.

During the presidential election campaign M. Mitterrand had said he would halt the nuclear tests if elected president.

But M. Giscard d'Estaing pledged himself to pursue the controversial atmospheric nuclear tests. "France's nuclear effort must be maintained and improved," he said. "We must continue the indispensable tests and switch as soon as we can to underground tests," he added.

France is pushing ahead its nuclear tests despite crushing costs, environmental damage and an outcry of protests at home and abroad, including threats of diplomatic rupture.

While France has neither the ambition nor the means to match the huge military strength of the United States and the Soviet Union, its defence chiefs pride themselves on being able to hit and destroy large cities and industrial centres of a potential enemy. "Our credibility can no longer be ignored," a senior officer said. "That is our deterrent."

Before going underground, the French must blast a few megaton-size bombs in atmospheric tests.

French engineers are drilling a new shaft on the coral atoll of Fanoatuafa, about 40 kms. from Mururoa where France has been conducting atmospheric tests for the past seven years. But General Lucien Soula, head of the nuclear test centre, has warned that it may take several years before the first underground test is carried out.

Restoration of U.S., Algerian ties seen

BEIRUT (UPI). — Algeria and the U.S. will restore diplomatic relations, broken during the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, after agreement on the disengagement of Syrian and Israeli forces is reached, the Iraqi News Agency reported from Algiers on Monday.

The agency said "informed quarters" in the Algerian capital "expressed their belief that Algerian-American relations will be restored after the announcement of a Syrian-Israeli troop disengagement accord."

India's atomic blast signals new era of nuclear energy

By TREVOR DRIEBERG
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW DELHI. — TO a nation whose self-confidence has been seriously sapped by a train of economic and political misfortunes, last Saturday's atomic explosion has come as an invigorating force. Its internal consequences in the form of a morale booster for the government of Mrs. Indira Gandhi could be even more far-reaching than its impact on the international power structure.

The underground blast, said to have been carried out in the desert region of Rajasthan on India's western border, does not indicate any change in this country's nuclear policy. It marks the logical culmination of decisions taken in the last few years to develop sources of atomic energy for peaceful purposes.

There is no reason to believe that India has decided to crash its way into the nuclear arms club. And if such a decision is taken in the not too distant future this would depend on how other countries, particularly those in the Asian region, react to the knowledge that India has arrived on the threshold of nuclear deterrent capability.

That the Indian Atomic Energy Commission, set up in 1948, has been working for some years to acquire nuclear technology for peaceful uses is no secret. Mrs. Gandhi told parliament in November 1970 that her government's policy of atomic power development "does include underground nuclear explosions."

India is the first country to conduct its initial experimental nuclear explosion underground. Again, while the five other nuclear powers conducted tests to equip themselves with deterrent weaponry, the Indian blast has been accompanied by a firm declaration of New Delhi's strong opposition to the military use of atomic energy.

But the test does bring the Indian government nearer the point when it must decide whether to adopt nuclear deterrence in the context of the growing armaments race in West Asia and the possibility of sharpening big-power naval rivalry in the Indian Ocean, and the likely impact of these factors on peace and stability in the Indian subcontinent and the surrounding territories.

Thus only a political decision keeps India today from joining the exclusive nuclear club. That decision would depend largely on how Pakistan and China react politically and militarily to Saturday's explosion, which is only the beginning of a series of tests.

A few hours after the test, the government announced this was part of its continuing efforts to keep abreast of the latest technology in the peaceful uses of the atom, parlicularly for excavating canals, underground storage of water, mining coal and nonferrous metals, and drilling for petroleum and natural gas.

Such a breakthrough in technology could have tremendous significance for this country's economic growth, which is lagging badly behind set targets. It could reverse the process of economic collapse which appears a dangerous threat in the present decade.

But the technological thrust for this achievement is identical with that needed to make a nuclear warhead. For this reason the sponsors of the nuclear proliferation treaty wrote into it a prohibition on peaceful tests by countries without atomic weapons. This was one reason why India refused to sign the treaty while stressing its support for the principle of outlawing such weapons.

Saturday's blast is likely to create an entirely new situation for the world nuclear weapon establishment, says K. Subrahmanyam, Director of the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (I.D.S.A.) and for long a staunch advocate of India developing a nuclear striking force.

The Indian explosion used plutonium-239, as the Atomic Energy Commission has no plant to extract uranium-235 from natural uranium. But according to the Commission chairman, Dr. Homa N. Sethna, there was no significant radio-activity even at a height of 30 metres above the blast site when a helicopter-borne party made the first aerial survey half an hour later.

India has two atomic power stations and one research reactor from which the plutonium could have come. Atomic wastes from them can yield more than 100 kilograms of plutonium yearly. A plant to recover the element from fuel burnt at the Canada-India reactor set up at Trombay, near Bombay, was built at the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) there in 1964, (named for the late Dr Homa Bhabha, India's pioneer nuclear physicist.

Based on the experience gained from this plant, the Commission is building a large plutonium-recovery plant in the State of Maharashtra. All these sources of plutonium are under safeguards through agreements with the International Atomic Energy Authority which specifically state that plutonium obtained from them must not be used for war purposes.

BARC's fourth research reactor at Trombay is fuelled with plutonium and went critical in May 1972. Built entirely by Indians, it has a plutonium core in two parts, one static and the other revolving. When the moving core, turning at several thousand revolutions a minute, comes close to the static core, there is an energy outburst or atomic explosion.

Chinese urged to store grain in case of war

HONGKONG (Reuter). — China has called on its people to increase grain production — and also to store it in case of war, the New China News Agency reported on Monday.

The agency carried an article saying "We must not forget that imperialism and social imperialism" — descriptions China usually applies to U.S. and Soviet policies — still exist in the world, hence the possibility of war and the need to keep high vigilance."

The article, which initially appeared in the Communist Party journal "Red Flag," continued: "With adequate grain reserves we can ensure the provisions of the army and the food supplies of the people in case of war, and win victory against aggression."

Jewish scientists reply to charge of 'provocation'

MOSCOW (Reuter). — A group of Jewish scientists planning a seminar here on Monday rejected Soviet press claims that the meeting constituted a provocation.

An open letter signed by 12 of the scientists (all of whom have been refused permission to emigrate to Israel) to the trade union newspaper, 'Trud,' said the seminar would only discuss the natural sciences and would "have no connection with politics."

The seminar is sponsored by Tel Aviv University and by several top scientists abroad. Eight foreign Nobel Prize winners have said they would attend it.

A statement on Friday, published in 'Trud,' said that holding the seminar "without the knowledge and agreement of the Soviet scientific institutions" was provocation.

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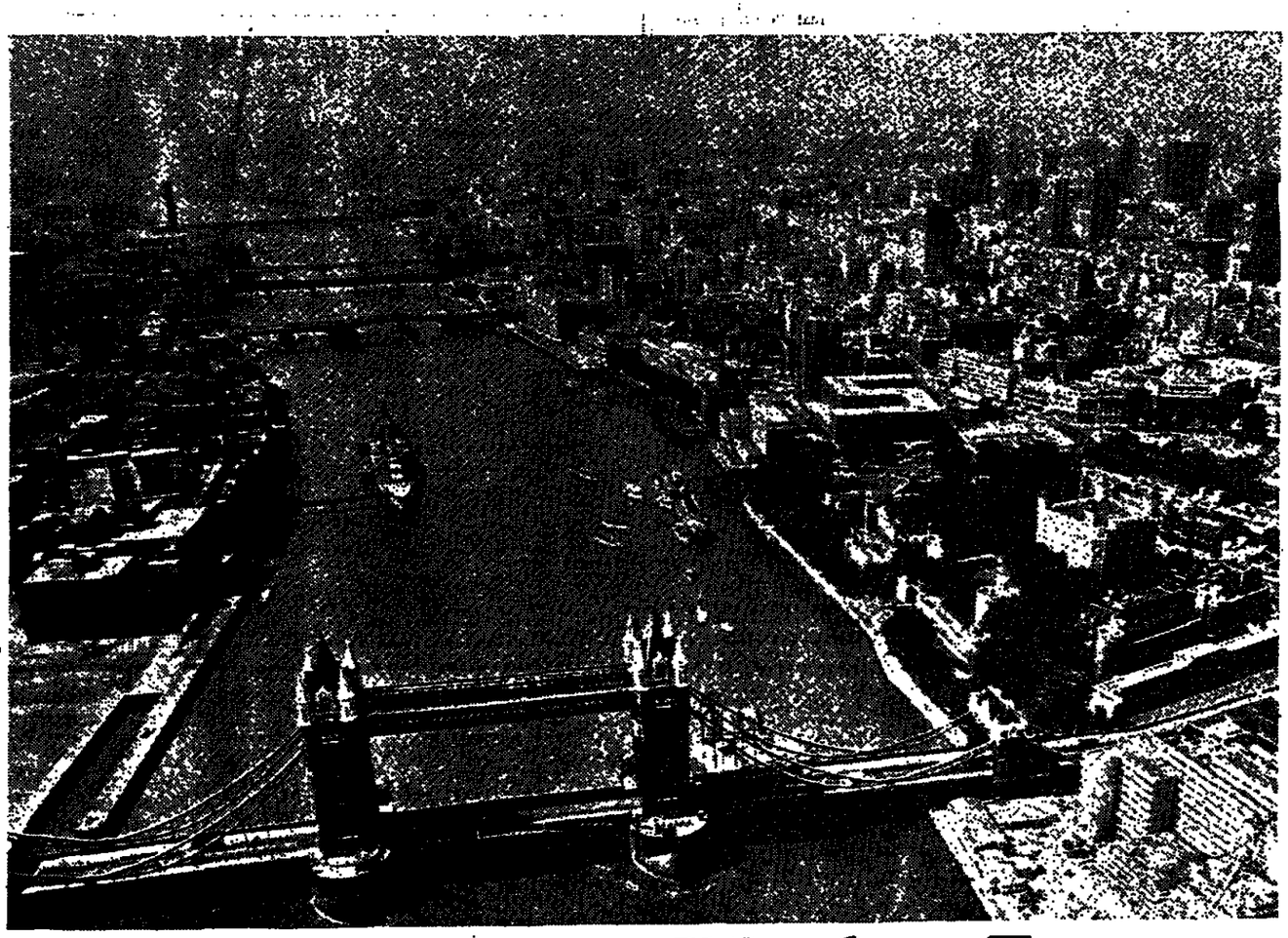

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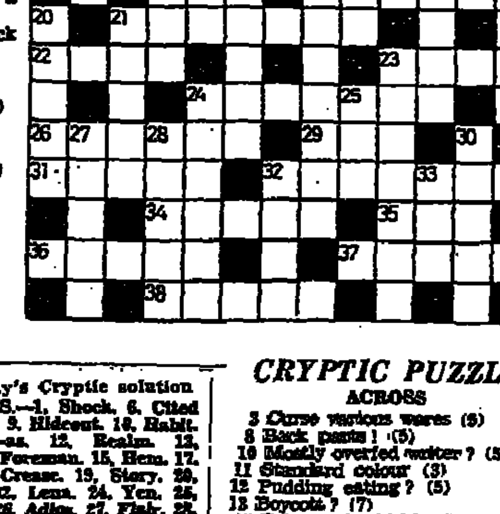

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
3 Toys (5)
8 Put off (5)
10 Picture support (5)
11 Vehicle (3)
12 Intended (5)
13 Associate (7)
15 Rows (5)
18 Go at speed (3)
19 Terminate (6)
21 Regulate (7)
22 Merely (4)
23 Bring up (4)
24 Shoemaker (7)
26 Pay attention (6)
29 Slippery creature (3)
31 Rear part of a boat (5)
32 Dramatic display (7)
34 Anaesthetic (5)
35 Copy (3)
36 Bedaub (5)
37 Flower (5)
38 Demise (5)

DOWN
1 Exclude (5)
2 Ruin (7)
4 Finished (4)
5 Edible seed (6)
6 Material (5)
7 Scoffs (5)
9 Animal skin (3)
12 Refer to (7)
14 Member of a convent (3)
16 Breed of duck (5)
17 Large fish (5)
19 Abstain (7)
20 Implements (5)
21 Shut (5)
23 Set free (7)
24 Middle part (6)
25 Limb (3)
27 Articles (5)
28 Trample (5)
30 Express contempt (5)
32 Saucy (4)
33 Fitting (3)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
3 Curse various wares (5)
8 Back pants! (5)
10 Mostly overfed waiter? (5)
11 Standard colour (3)
12 Pudding eating? (5)
13 Boycott? (7)
15 Behaves bookishly (5)
18 You won't find him among the rest (3)
19 A good talking to (6)
21 Hot whistlers, sometimes (7)
22 Bird in the soccer news! (4)
23 Tiny soft cry (4)
24 Colourful and shapely Russian actress? (3, 4)
26 It's smart to have a ton and a half, always (6)
29 Seed for a meal (3)
31 Piping for shoes? (5)
32 Are they always trying to corner fish? (7)
34 Approaches northern listeners (5)
35 Feeling lacking one see red almost (3)
36 Conscious of being higher than the rest? (5)
37 Silly in a certain way (5)
38 Stray deity? (5)

DOWN
1 Perfume of a letter, Jack (5)
2 Wedding has-been, maybe (7)
4 Some way for our sailors to give notice (4)
5 Loves an advent for minerals (6)
6 Say something and pass on (5)
7 Music to go right ahead with the party (5)
9 Four-legged Sheraton piece (3)
12 He has a bit of the business (7)
14 Railway time-table extract (3)
16 Stony character? (5)
17 Breaks into pictures? (5)
19 Timely tickets (7)
20 A letter to everyone at the seaside (5)
21 Are they capped for gymnastics? (5)
23 Jack's old street? (7)
24 Red Sea plant (6)
25 Label to some advantage (3)
27 A letter or two by road transport (5)
28 Heavenly victory before sunrise (3)
30 London's crooked outside-right (5)
32 Myra's host? (4)
33 Great age of horse-racing (3)

Monday's Easy solution
ACROSS.—1, Shoal. 6, Teach. 9, Soldier. 10, Crept. 11, Naked. 12, Brass. 13, Sincere. 15, Orb. 17, Edit. 18, Coarse. 19, Onion. 20, Aching. 22, Veal. 24, Let. 25, Cowards. 26, Baron. 27, Elder. 28, Aided. 29, Address. 30, Prams. 31, Photo.
DOWN.—2, Horrid. 3, Aspect. 4, Lot. 5, Adore. 6, Tension. 7, Eras. 8, Cheers. 12, Bring. 13, Sepal. 14, Night. 15, Order. 16, Bells. 18, Colon. 19, Onwards. 21, Cellar. 22, Vanish. 23, Advent. 25, Court. 26, Beam. 28, Asp.

Monday's Cryptic solution
ACROSS.—1, Shock. 6, Cited (sighted). 9, Hideout. 10, Habit. 11, Te-X-as. 12, Realm. 13, (George) Foreman. 15, Hem. 17, Anil. 18, Crease. 19, Story. 20, Cheeky. 22, Lena. 24, Yen. 25, Decimal. 26, Adios. 27, Fish. 28, Pin-up. 29, Doublet. 30, Renew. 31, Asset.
DOWN.—2, Head on. 3, Chisel. 4, Kit. 5, L-even. 6, Cutlery. 7, Item. 8, Erases. 12, Ratty. 13, Fancy. 14, Risen. 15, Hare-M. 16, Med-Al. 18, Cries. 19, Skid Row. 21, Her-lie. 22, L-I'm-its. 23, Nature. 25, Doubt. 26, Aide. 28, (sweet) Pea.

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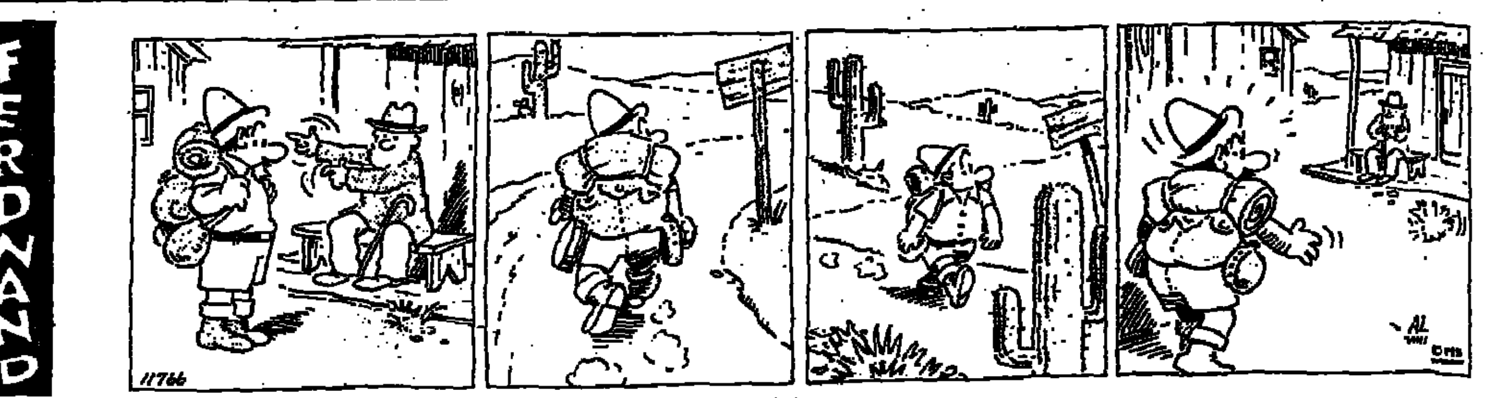

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ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS

1st Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 1 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. and 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 7 and 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m. and 11.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: Every hour on the hour. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m. 12.05 and 8.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME

252, 522 and 221 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening 8.05 "Morning Concert" Dowland: Song (Shaw); Albinoni: Oboe Concerto; Dieter: 4 Pieces for 2 Flutes; Bach: Cantata No.202 (Elly Ameling). 9.05 Beethoven: Madrigal (Ambrosian Singers); Rossini: String Sonata No.3 (I Musici); Faure: Lullaby; Schubert: Symphony No.1 (Karl Boehm).
9.55 English News.
10.05 "Midday Concert" — Moussorgsky: Gopak; Albeniz: Catalonia; Bartok: Concerto for Orchestra (Ozawa).
11.05 Ivrit La'am.
11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Granados: 3 Pictures by Goya. 1.05: "Midday Concert."
2.05 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — "Bettering your knowledge." 3.30 Guidance for teachers. 3.50 Book Review. 4.05 "Felix Mendelssohn" — The Portrait of a Creator. A series of programmes produced by Ada Brodsky.
4.55 English News. 5.05 "The National Brass Band of New Zealand." 5.35 Musical Quiz.
5.55 French News. 6.05 "People and Figures." 6.30 "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Tehilim, chaps. 81 and 82.
8.05 The Israel Trio-Ravel: Duo; Schubert: Trio, op. 100; Martinu: Five Short Pieces. 9.30 Cantorial Request Programme. 10.05 "Eshnab."
11.02 "My Concert." 12.05 A Moment of Poetry. 12.08 Close Down. 1.05-5.00 Songs and Tunes. 5.05-8.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME

457, 423, 296, 355 and 340 M.

5.05 a.m. Hebrew songs. 5.55 Religious service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.25 Hebrew songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme [for] the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.05 This is Ehud Manor. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.05 "Songs from the Big Screen" 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 "Songs from the Big Screen" (cont.) 5.05 Find the Link. 5.30 Light Music. 6.05 "Songs from Father's Home." 6.45 Today's sport. 8.05 Basketball: Israel VS. Argentina, direct from Yad Eliyahu. 10.45 Hebrew Songs. 11 "Tonight." 11.30 "Till Midnight" (cont.) 12.05 "Night of Stars." 1.05-5.00 Songs and Tunes.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 My Friend Flicka. 5.55 Songs. 6.00 Cartoons. 8.00 Nanny and the Professor. 8.30 Mabat 9.00 "America" — Documentary. 9.50 "The Virginian" 11.05 News.
Educational: 8.15 Maths 5. 9.05 Maths 5. 10.00 English 8. 10.20 English 7. 10.45 Story. 11.05 Biology 9. 11.25 English 8. 12.00 Algebra 10. 12.30 Geometry 6. 1.00 Art. 1.20 Science 7. 1.40 Literature 7-8. 2.10 Technical Drawing 9. 4.00 For Kindergarteners. 4.20 Story. 4.25 English. 4.45 Electricity.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Programme for Youth. 7.00 Poetry 7.05 "Visiting Card." 7.27 Programme review. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME

6.56 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

787, 423, 254, 249, 235 and 346.5 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. 7.15 Georgian. 7.[..] Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
4.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
10.55 a.m. (1st programme);
2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
1st Programme — 256, 522 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 455 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 25, 31, 33, and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning tunes. 7.[..] Programme trailer. 8.05 Zahal's newsreel. 8.30 Morning tunes (cont.) 9.05 Requests.
9.55 "Pocket Torch."
10.05 Requests. 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11.05 Warm and Tasty — Regards. 11.55 "Armies of the Nations." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 p.m. Warm and Tasty. 1.30 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 1.55 Announcements. 2.05 "Two till Four" — with Mo[..] Peer. 4.05 Hit Parade. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.[..] Tunes for everybody — greetings. 6.05 "Discussion" — Literary Magazine. 7.05 "Noah's Ark." [..] Concert. 9.05 "By Request." 10.05 Tonight with Yaakov Agmon. 11.45 Midnight Talk. 12.05 Zahal Diary. 12.30 Night Birds with Puina Bat Zvi. [..] Tunes in the night.

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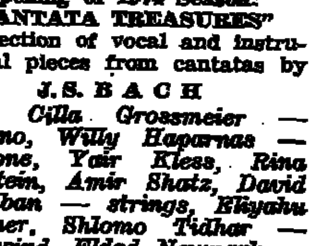
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BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Upward trend in mart

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Despite a spate of profit-taking, prices were either firm or showed a tendency to rise yesterday. Financial circles believe the upward trend, which has dominated the market the past few days, will continue today, due to the better political atmosphere and due to the "escape" from linked-bonds held by companies who face a possible capital gains tax.

The general index of share prices rose by 0.51 per cent to stand at 299.39.

The turnover yesterday was IL4,013,600: of this, IL1,536,400 was in the variables.

IDB rose by 0.5 in the variables to 226.5 (turnover, 183,000), Housing Mortgage ordinary gained two and one to 198 (32,000), Bank Leumi lost one but recovered by 0.5 to 261.5 (132,000), Delek registered lost three but recovered by 2.5 to 285 (57,000), and Electricity gained two and two to 69 (72,000).

Index-linked bonds declined moderately. The turnover was IL13,340,100.

The Nefed Dollar remained at IL4.85, when only $11,800 was demanded, but the turnover was $139,100.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	240	241
4% Electric Corp A	r	135.5	135.5
4% Electric Corp B	r	146	146.5
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Elis 1965, Index 110.1	b	314.5	314.5
Sitahon 1968, Series 41	b	138	137.5
Sitahon 1969, Series 41	b	261.3	261.6
COMMERCIAL BANKS			
BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	284	284
D.B. pref.	r	277.5	276.5
D.B. Bankholding	r	226.5	226
Union Bank	r	303	303
Israel British Bank	b	328	320
Discount Bank "A"	r	340	335
United Mizrahi Bank	b	185	188
Bank Hapoalim — 10%	b	298	298
Bank Leumi "A"	r	261.5	262
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Jer. Mortgage Bank	b	266	266
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	199	198.5
Bank Binyan	b	260	260
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	275	275
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	196	195
Tefahot 9%	b	298	288
Tefahot	b	288	288
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	70	69.6
Hasneh Insurance	b	274	276
Sahar — "C"	b.	352	358
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	86	91
Delek C	r	208.5	209
Cold Storage—IL10	r	237	237
Israel Electric Corp.	r	69	65
Lighterage & Supply	r	203	202
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Asorim	r	200	201.5
Africa Israel 10	r	356	356
Isr. Land Dev.	b	202.5	201.5
Solel Boneh 10%	b	147	151
Property & Build.	r	276	273
Isras	b	188	191
Mehadrin	r	202.5	202.5
I.C.F. for Citrus	b	101	101
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	180	179
Neot Aviv	r	101	101
Fri Or Ltd.	r	194	194
Rassco—8%	r	104	103
Rassco—O	r	79.5	79.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	476	470
Elco—2.5	b	115.5	114
Electra—5	r	255	257
"Argaman"—8%	b	362	366
"Ata"—C	r	143.5	143.5
Dubek	b	464	461
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	260	227
Teva	b	1206	1185
Chem. & Phosphates	r	112.5	109.5
Lewin Epstein	b	74.5	71
Moller Textile	r	229	235.5
Phoenicia—8%	b	115.5	115.5
Paper Mills	r	329.5	325
Assis "B"	r	244	248
Nechushtan	b	460	468
Shemen—8%	b	139	139
"Taal" Plywood	b	271	271
Elite (A)		332	332
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	99	99
Ellern	b	222	218
Israel Central Trade	r	201	199
Bank Hapoalim	b	225	224.5
Pax	b	112	108
Wolfson IL10	b	118	118
Ampa	r	185	132.5
Discount Bank	b	264	262
United Mizrahi	b	138.5	139.5
Bank Leumi	r	242	242
Piryon Investment	r	118.5	118.5
Hassuta—For. Trade	r	115	116.5
Export Bank	b	84.5	84
Clal Investment	r	218	204.5
Clal Industries	r	206	194
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	90	90
Lapidoth OTC	r	178	178

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Lilienblum St.: Foreign money up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Foreign currencies continued to rise — often by one to two per cent — yesterday in Lilienblum Street, although gold fell. The brokers say that if "prevailing conditions" continue the dollar will soon pass the IL5 mark.

These conditions are the increased demands by Arabs in the administered areas, who are dumping their Israeli pounds; and the shortage of foreign currency, due to the lack of tourists.

Yesterday's "opening bargaining prices": $100 banknotes, IL4.90; smaller dollar banknotes, IL4.85; dollar checks, IL4.65; DM. IL1.95; Dutch Florin, IL1.75; French franc, IL0.97; Swiss franc, IL1.60 and pound sterling, IL11.30.

A kilogram of silver remained firm at IL1,100, but gold fell by IL300 to IL25,500. The Krugerrand fell by IL60 to IL800; the sovereign fell by IL10 to IL230. Commemorative coins rose: the three-piece set by IL100 to IL4,300; the two-piece set by IL100 to IL1,700 and the platinum coin by IL100 to IL2,200.

U.S. expands trade with Iraq, Egypt

BEIRUT (AP). — The U.S. Embassy here has reported a "rapidly expanding market" for American exports in Iraq and an equally favorable potential in Egypt.

U.S. Commercial Attache Albert Alexander released on Monday a summary of economic reports from the American interests section in Baghdad and the new embassy in Cairo citing "good reasons to believe U.S. firms can obtain a substantial share" of contracts in both countries.

Iraq's right-wing Ba'ath Party has 'given its seal of approval to dealing with the West, and American businessmen are now receiving a warm welcome."

Noting that U.S. firms are already engaged in priority projects in Iraq, Alexander reported that Baghdad's development budget has tripled, with $646m. allocated for agriculture, $765m. for industry, $608m. for transportation and communications and $595m. for building and services.

Projects for which contracts have not yet been signed include irrigation and flood control, oil refineries, two new hospitals with equipment, expansion of 32 existing hospitals and construction of 1,313 primary and 237 secondary schools.

In Egypt, Alexander noted "major developments in Cairo's philosophy toward foreign investment" as a result of President Anwar Sadat's new pro-American swing.

But he reported that most companies are "withholding final commitment until expected reforms in economic laws and regulations are completed."

Current U.S. investment in Egypt is primarily in petroleum — $287.7m. as of August 19.

The Hilton and Sheraton corporations also have plans to build four new hotels.

THE COUNCIL of the Sephardi Community in Jerusalem will this year distribute IL150,000 in scholarships to 300 high school pupils and students from the Oriental communities. The stipends will be given out at a ceremony in the presence of Health Minister Victor Shemtov this evening at 7 at Beit Agron.

Closing Tuesday, May 21, 1974

WALL STREET

No response by stocks

NEW YORK (AP). — The New York Stock Market failed to respond to the injection of relatively good news about inflation yesterday. Near the close, the Dow Jones average of 30 industrials stood at 910.08, down 2.34 from Monday's close, and declines held about an 8-to-5 lead over advances on the New York Stock Exchange.

Prices inched ahead slightly in early trading after the government reported the rise in the consumer price index slowed considerably in April after climbing steeply the month before.

But the gains had dissipated in the afternoon. Analysts said high interest rates remained the market's chief depressant.

"The competition against stocks from fixed-income investments is just too much at this point to permit a rally to be sustained," said one analyst.

Closing prices were not available last night.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE
Tuesday's Rates

Dollar	2.4075/85	per £
DM	2.4625/45	per $
Swiss Fr.	2.9100/30	per $
French Fr.	4.8540/70	per $
Lire	634.50/635.25	per $
Belgian Fr.	37.85/95	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.6070/90	per $
Yen	279.10/40	per $

Gold price: $160/162

FORWARD RATES:

	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.
£/$	2.4023/38	2.3963/80	2.3500/20
DM/$	2.4540/75	2.4435/80	3.4835/75
Sw.Fr./$	2.9030/75	2.8910/60	2.8820/80

World beef supply up

WASHINGTON (AP). — World beef supplies for the consumer market may go up five per cent this year and soar another 20 to 25 per cent in 1975, the U.S. Agriculture Department said on Monday.

"Short world beef supplies and high prices witnessed in 1972 and 1973 occurred primarily because producers were holding back breeding stock to increase their herds and were not a result of shortage of cattle," the department's foreign agricultural service said in a weekly report.

	Unit Price	Redemption Price
ZAMID	174.30	170.03
GAVISH	163.58	159.58
BDOLACH	180.5	176.—
SHAMIR	108.24	105.71
PIA	333.9	325.—
YIGDAL	374.2	360.1

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WHERE DO PEOPLE GET THE MONEY?

Housing prices up 33% since war, investors seek inflation shelter

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

THE real estate market is booming, but is not in a healthy state, a leading realtor told *The Post*. Demand for housing exceeds supply, but a substantial part of it is fed by an inflationary anxiety to get rid of money. On the other hand, building contractors are becoming increasingly nervous.

Sales of flats were somewhat down in the first post-war months, but have since recovered. Today they are approaching the pre-war level in terms of dwelling units changing hands, and are at least one third larger in money terms. Further headway is expected in the coming months, through "second home" purchases by Jewish tourists for whom June-September is the main season.

The rise in turnover is due, of course, first, to the persistent price creep, and also to the fact that the quality of flats required is steadily moving up. Most people are not just changing homes, but moving into bigger, better, and more expensive flats. This trend is visible throughout the income scale. People who were living in flats of 60 sq. metres floor area move into flats of 85-90 sq. metres, while tenants of such flats may exchange them for dwellings of 100-120 sq. metres. Along with it goes the upgrading of interior finish and ancillary amenities, and a movement into the better residential quarters. As regards top level dwellings — both detached houses and penthouses — the sky is the limit for both the quality required and the price they can fetch, which may by far exceed half a million pounds.

Where the people get the money from is not clear. Part of it stems from loans provided by the government for big families living in crowded dwellings and discharged soldiers, but that holds true by and large only for lower-income brackets and the cheaper flats. Part of the money is self-induced, as people invest in their new flats the gains they realize when selling the old ones. Another part — a quite substantial one — comes from abroad. But the rest — which must be a great deal — comes doubtless from local sources of an unspecified nature, and a considerable part of it is probably black money, either wages earned "net of tax" by building and other workers, or profits not declared and not taxed.

The market for rental flats is also evidence that generally speaking people's finances are liquid enough for them not to bother about additional income. People vacating flats for several months do not want to let them even at a high price. There is also a steady excess demand for long term unfurnished rental flats while thousands of flats are closed and empty, because they have been acquired — either by local people or by foreigners — not for use but as promising and inflation-proof investment.

Incidentally, the Jewish Agency's rentings are only a minor factor in this field, both because much higher rentals can be obtained in the free market, and because most flat owners do not care about the tax-freedom of the Jewish Agency's rental. In Tel Aviv rentals of IL2,000 and more a month are no longer unusual for high quality flats. Apparently most of the respective income somehow slips through the tax network's loopholes.

The main attraction of investing in residential property stems from the fact that it looks like a safe bidding against the market. Most contractors are ready to forgo linking provided the buyer pays about 50 per cent of the price in cash before work on site is started, and the rest in quarterly instalments. The down payment about covers the cost of land, materials, and part of the contractor's overheads, but his eventual profit depends mainly on the cost of labour up to the project's completion.

The purchaser is thus speculating on the continuation of wage and price inflation (the more so if he can afford to delay the sale of his own flat), while the contractor must include in his price a safety margin big enough to balance the risk involved in the deal. And the more inflation expands, the bigger this margin must grow. One major reason for the decline in building starts by private contractors since mid-1973 seems to be this rising risk element which comes on top of soaring land costs. On the other hand, this decline, and the slower progress of construction work owing to labour shortage, must eventually drive flat prices to a yet higher level, and aggravate the housing problems of newlyweds and other families of modest means who have no "black" earnings or do not own property.

More than 5,000 nurses from all parts of Britain left their patients' bedsides to take part in the biggest-ever demonstration by nurses for 55 per cent more pay last week in London. (UPI)

MUSIC

GUEST CONDUCTORS PERFORM BARTOK

TWO conductors are substituting for Antal Dorati, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's scheduled conductor, who is ill: Piero Bellugi, who endeared himself to our audiences for his spirited direction of Donizetti's "Don Pasquale," and James De Preist, who last season substituted very impressively for another conductor who had to cancel his appearances. (The IPO. seems to be very unlucky lately with conductors). As both guests were to direct Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra, an occasion for comparison presented itself to this reviewer (May 12 Series One — May 19 Series Two).

Bellugi is so devoted to Italian and operatic music, that his Bartok was too sweet, too gently tuneful, and, indeed, lacking all Bartok's characteristics. De Preist, on the other hand, is an aggressive conductor, with clear-cut ideas and a strong enough will to see that his intentions are carried out. As at last year's concert, the IPO musicians gave him full cooperation and collaborated willingly and effectively.

The Haydn Symphony (No. 78, in C minor) emerged in fresh colours, in a no-nonsense performance, crisp and clear. Under De Preist's baton, the Bartok Concerto regained its attractiveness, and the self-propelling drive in the finale produced the desired effect and led to an excellently built-up climax.

The soloist of the evening, Ilan Rogoff, had to content himself with Liszt's Second Piano Concerto (his or the orchestra's choice?). This work is maddeningly empty but Rogoff gave his solo part every possible ounce of meaning and acquitted himself honourably of an ungratifying task. More of his musical capabilities could be discerned in his encore, a Chopin Nocturne. (Rogoff will give a solo recital at the Jerusalem Khan on Saturday night for the "Sharett Fund for Young Artists" (see "Poster").

YOHANAN BOEHM

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In my review of the Israel Chamber Ensemble's concert at Binyenei Ha'ooma (May 18) all reference to the orchestral part of the evening and its conductor was omitted. Gabriel Chmura — prize-winner of the Von Karajan Conductors' Competition and incumbent Generalmusikdirektor of the Aachen Opera — was something of a disappointment. He directed Wolf's "Italian Serenade" and Prokofiev's "Classical Symphony" without drive or inspiring any stimulating performance — the ensemble played dutifully and colourlessly. Tempi were on the whole too slow, and tension, if there was any, ran on low voltage. Under these circumstances, it is perhaps wiser not to attempt to consider the premiere of Yitzhak Sadai's "Anagram," for Chamber Orchestra and Magnetic Tape. It may be that the static sonorities leading nowhere were not given the right direction from the conductor. But the composer presumably attended the rehearsals and could have tried to have his composition performed according to his ideas.

Y.B.

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J.B. "Cantata Treasures", as presented by an ad hoc ensemble of seven instrumentalists and two singers, (Tel Aviv Museum, May 18), was a well-planned and well-prepared programme. But though all the participants shared the common goal of achieving stylistic authenticity, the concert nevertheless was not a balanced event — the instrumentalists were good but the singers' performance revealed serious shortcomings.

Violinist Yair Kless was an excellent leader in all the 15 items. Eliyahu Thorner could not have provided finer oboe parts, Shlomo Tidhar gave us unlimited pleasure on his recorders, and Eldad Neumark distinguished himself in his brilliant rendition of the highly technical harpsichord part in the aria from Cantata No. 203 and attended skilfully to his Basso Continuo parts. Three young musicians: Rina Perlstein, violin; Yuval Kaminkovsky, viola and David Shamban, cello proved their high professional level.

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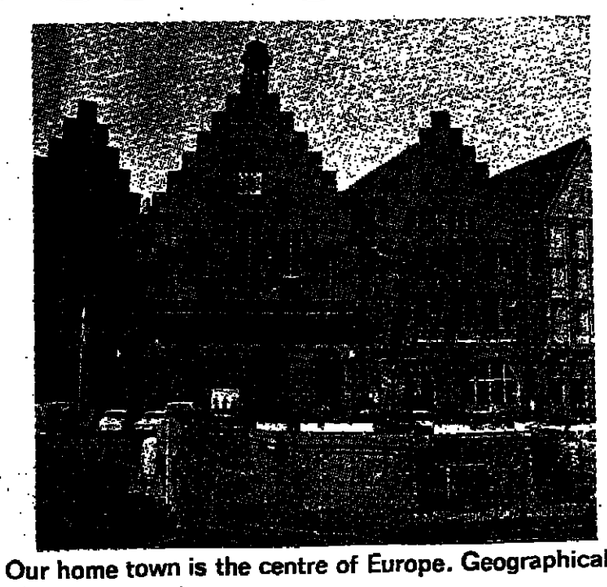

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BRIDGE

ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN

ANYTHING can happen in rubber bridge. I was playing with Ben Zeev as my partner. On one deal he used a conventional bid we had not discussed. He overcalled an opponent's 1 NT with 2♣ asking me to bid a minor. Had he bid 2 ◇ it would have called for a major. I did not know he was using this convention, and fortunately we did not lose as a result of the lack of understanding. We did then agree to use this convention should opportunity arise. As "luck" would have it here was the very next hand:

N-S Vul.

Ben Zeev
North
♠ K 9
♡ 5
◇ A K 6 4 3
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

West (D)
♠ Q J 6 2
♡ J 7 2
◇ Q J 8 2
♣ A K

East
♠ A 5 4
♡ K 3
◇ 10 9 5
♣ J 9 6 5 3

Levinrew
South
♠ 10 8 7 8
♡ A Q 10 9 8 6 4
◇ 7
♣ 7

West opened with 1 NT (weak). Ben Zeev, unlike his usual aggressiveness decided to pass and it was up to me. The spades were not so good, but the hearts were excellent, a good escape suit, fortunately as it turned out. So I dared to make the conventional bid of 2◇. West doubled, and Ben Zeev with his excellent ◇ suit, quite naturally passed. I bid 2♡, and West, wearing his doubling cap, doubled again. North, not very happy with his weak majors bid 2♠. When it came to my turn I passed, hoping that North had three spades at least. West pushing with all his might doubled again. I squirmed, but decided that the best protection was to bid 3 ♡, and West doubled again. So 3♡ doubled was the contract.

The ♣ K won the first trick and West shifted to a ◇. I won two ◇ tricks in dummy, discarding a spade, and ruffed a ◇. I was so sure that West had the ♠ A as I led the ♠ 10. This coaxed the J from West — a mistake on his part—and to my surprise the K lost to the Ace in East. In order to prevent the ruff of a ♠ East led the ♡ K. I won with the Ace and led the ♡ Q. West then won a ♡ trick and a ♠ trick, but the doubled contract was made.

I like it when "anything" happens to me.

BRIDGE CALENDAR
Coming Events

May 24, 25 First Rounds of the National Open Pair Championship May 31, — June 1 First rounds of the National Women's Pair Championship.

Results

Beersheva Pair Championship.
1. Mr. & Mrs. Yacobovitz. 2. Alt-Eilat Rehovot Pair Championship.
1. Collins-Najfeld, 2. Silverman-Professor Frankowski Play-Off: The following pairs won a place in the National Pair Championship: 1. Kook-Ben Zeev, Jerusalem, 67%. 2. Cooper-Ziplin, Kibbutz Urim, 62%. 3. Mr. & Mrs. Segal, Haifa, 61%. Mrs. Zusman-Mrs. Wiener, Tel Aviv, 61%.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.00 p.m.
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Beersheba — Monday, Thursday: Beit Ha'am.
Haifa — City: Monday, Thursday: Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. Neve Sha'anan: Tuesday: Beit Abba Khoushi.
Herzliya B — Tuesday: Hotel Sharon.
Jerusalem — Wednesday: Diplomat Hotel.
Kiryat Haim — Tuesday: Beit Nagler.
Kiryat Tivon — Sunday: Beit Hahistadrut.
Netanya — Monday: Orly Hotel, Thursday: Wizo Hall.
Pardes Hana — Sunday: Wizo Hall.
Rehovot — Monday: Masonic Hall.
Savyon — Sunday: Avia Hotel.
Tel Aviv — Wednesday. Thursday: Dukes Club.

Note: Israel Erdenbaum of Tel Aviv was appointed a tournament Director at the recent World Championship for the Bermuda Cup.

An Unnecessary Pitfall:

The great multitude of conventions may create confusion. If a player does not understand an opponent's bid he should not inquire routinely as to its meaning but only when he needs to use the information as a clue to his own action. In the recent National Play-Off tournament a bid by player X was misunderstood by his partner who responded as though to an asking bid. This pair might have landed in the wrong contract if no inquiry was made. An opponent who had no intention of making a bid did inquire in the middle of the auction. Thus player X unwittingly learned to his advantage that his partner had a specific Ace. And so to repeat: inquire as to what bids mean only when you are ready to use the information.

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SYRIAN GAMBLE STILL ON

THE sudden spurt of optimism that caused Dr. Kissinger to postpone his return to Washington by another week has not proved altogether justified, for new difficulties continually crop up.

The optimism appears to have been prompted by the fact that the disengagement line has been more or less agreed and while it is not one that Israel would have proposed, it is not one, either, that endangers Israel's defensive position on the Golan Heights.

It is more difficult to define the status the UN forces should have in the evacuated areas. The Syrians, it will be remembered, wished them to act as "Observers" only, as they did up to 1967. Israel is not prepared to move troops out of outposts taken in 1973 when the Syrian attack was rolled back only to see Syrian forces move back in immediately.

It will be difficult enough to devise a satisfactory rule as to what constitutes "civilian administration" in the town of Kuneitra, where the civilian population is to return. Administrations commonly include a police force, police have weapons and vehicles, and there could be a mobile striking force in Kuneitra before anyone is much the wiser — and it would be hard to dislodge it again without another war once it had moved in.

The disengagement talks with Syria are different from those with Egypt in the most important respect of all. Egypt now seems anxious to get back to peace-time life, the use of the Suez Canal, and the rebuilding of the great Canal cities. They may not plan peace with us, and may be in search of nothing but major concessions for which they need give little or nothing in the way of agreements in return. But it seems at least reasonable to gamble on the hope that President Sadat feels he has been vindicated and can afford to let the issue of Israel rest for an extended period.

There are no parallel indications in Syria, and the rebuilding of the small, scattered town of Kuneitra, formerly little more than a garrison centre, cannot be compared to the repair and re-opening of the Suez Canal with the aid of half the Western world.

President Assad of Syria has proclaimed widely during the past few days that his main aims are still to enforce the complete withdrawal of Israel to the borders of 1967 at all points — which he knows is not practical politics — and the so-called "rights of the Palestinians," or disestablishment of Israel.

We may interpret that as we wish, and in accordance with our view of Arab political practice. It may mean that Assad intends to renew military pressure for these aims as soon as he is in full possession of the territorial advantages offered Syria by the present talks. This is likely enough, and the reason why Israel has been very tough in all matters concerned with security, and more willing to compromise over land. Or it may be no more than a resounding phrase that Assad needs to explain his agreement to the disengagement to his own people.

If we want a hopeful sign, perhaps we should seek it in the fact that the Russians have already claimed part of the credit for the agreement even before it is signed or ready.

VIEWPOINT

Law, morality, and the terrorists

By EPHRAIM KISHON

THERE are two terrible aspects to the Ma'alot disaster:

That the guards left their guns behind;

That if the freedom fighter who used our kids for target practice had been captured, he would have been sentenced to life imprisonment by our courts, and duly released again on the day that the children of one of our ambassadors in one of the world's capitals were kidnapped.

Our Government will be helpless when that happens. They will discuss it in a special emergency session, convened after the kidnappers' ultimatum reaches Jerusalem. Why worry now? We'll cross that bridge when.

Ever since the Munich massacre, various elements of the public, from mere scribblers like ourself to the "Sunday Times" or the Dean of our Law Faculty, have been begging the Authorities to please kindly authorise the death sentence for mass-murderers. Not for the sake of revenge. Not in order to kill them, God forbid, but just so as to have a reserve of hostages on hand, a single card in the ghastly game forced on us, just in case a couple of terrorists should, let's say, hold an entire roomful of children to ransom.

Because it would no doubt have been fearfully barbaric, but it would in all likelihood have saved a lot of young lives if we could have told the three freedom fighters: If you lay one finger on our children we'll execute every name on your list!

We couldn't tell them that, though, because none of the gentlemen on the list had been formally sentenced to death. And you can call that a juridical shortcoming, if you like.

As far back as September 1972 we beseeched the Authorities to think of the future and prepare for the next terror act. The then Minister of Justice dismissed our argument out of hand:

"Let's not go off the track," he admonished, "We are a country of Law and Order!"

Exercise yard at Ramle Prison. (Hanania Herman)

And that's been the official stand ever since. Strict adherence to principles. Our children are butchered in broad daylight, whole families are murdered in their beds, we are denounced by friend and foe — and the honourable gentlemen consider we're a country of law and order!

We're a No Man's Land, gentlemen, and we can't go off any track because there's nowhere to go off to.

What's most amazing of all is that our existing military code authorizes the death penalty for acts of terrorism, provided the tribunal include two jurists. Yet it seems as if somebody up there takes good care that no military court should ever fulfil that requirement. Out of humanitarian motives, no doubt.

This is utter and absolute stupidity. Any connection between it and Jewish morality, right, or justice, is purely accidental.

A few months ago, after the massacre at Athens Airport, if you remember, a bunch of terrorists captured a Greek boat in the Far East, and offered the Greek Government an ultimatum for the immediate release of the two jailed killers. The Greek Government's reply was that if any harm came to the boat's crew, both terrorists would be executed forthwith. The boat was released forthwith. Because the two terrorists had been sentenced to death.

But we are a country of law and order.

We've heard it said that the terrorists wouldn't give in even if we did carry out the threat of execution against their leaders. Let's assume that is true. We'd still be exactly where we are today. [...] could always still storm that sch[...] right?

Anyway, there are grounds to [...]lieve that the moderate Hawat[...] and his men find it more [...]venient to kill Jews, would ra[...] even commit suicide, than kn[...]ingly bring about the death [...] their near and dear. It's at le[...] worth a try.

So let our Government take [...] deep, deep breath and for once [...] to do something unconventio[...] about our situation, which, G[...] knows, is unusual enough anyh[...] Let them get off those rusty trac[...]

We've been racking our bra[...] for the past week to think of re[...]sons why our Government should[...] try to anticipate waves of terror[...] by conditional death sentences, a[...] we can't think of one. And if t[...] reader supposes that the powe[...] that-be have an answer which [...] or I don't know of, that ther[...] some profound political consider[...]tion or something at the back [...] it, then I'm sorry to disillusion hi[...] it's nothing but mental stagnati[...] nothing but utter and absolu[...] stupidity.

It's precisely the same as w[...] the question: Why didn't we [...] the Security Council to conve[...] right after the Ma'alot holocaus[...]

And why didn't we organize ci[...] defence guards long ago?

Why must the IDF carry o[...] every reprisal raid?

Why don't they build shelters?

Why don't they form a Natio[...] Emergency Cabinet?

There are no answers to any [...] it. Yitzhak Rabin, on whom [...] pinned so many hopes, forms [...] narrow minimum coalition at [...] fateful hour of the Jewish peo[...] all in the best tradition of the p[...] 26 years. Just so long as Lab[...] stays in the saddle. Whether [...] horse will trip or the ground c[...] in under him appears to be a qu[...]tion of secondary importance.

Translated by Miriam A[...]

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READERS' LETTERS

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT AND MA'ALOT

Time has come

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The time has surely now come for this country to reinstate the death penalty for terrorists as soon as they are caught, before their presence in our jails is cause for further terrorist activities, and starting now with the terrorists we have in jail. We, the undersigned, are calling for someone with courage to start proceedings, on which if necessary the country will hold a referendum, and will, we are sure, have the backing of 80 per cent of the entire voting population.

ESTHER HARIM
HERSH FAMILY—Netanya
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SUSI HAND

May 16.

No more 'martyrs'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As an American, I have always been against the idea of capital punishment. However, I believe the time has come for Israel to take another look at the subject in light of the continuing terrorist attacks on civilians.

I suggest the Knesset adopt a resolution providing a mandatory death sentence for anyone convicted of carrying out terrorist activities within the State of Israel from now on. Further, to dissuade those who would still use unarmed civilians as hostages to demand freedom for friends currently imprisoned, I suggest henceforth any such attempts result in the death not only of the misguided liberator, but one of those already in prison, starting with the Japanese slaughterer of Lod Airport. Let us put the terrorists in the same normal pincer grip Israel has been forced to live in. Perhaps we can eliminate one of their rationales for action. If not, at least there will be no more "martyrs" left to demand freedom for.

DAVID PAULSEN

New York, May 17.

Aid and comfort

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The scandalous and shocking behavior of some of the youth at the funeral ceremonies of the Ma'alot victims will no doubt give aid and comfort to our enemies and the Arab terrorists, who will regard this as another gain in their conflict with the Jews and Israel.

We must console each other and strengthen our loyalties, and any political differences must be set aside for more peaceful times.

WILLIAM BRAFTERMAN

Hadera (Baltimore), May 17.

Kozo Okamoto

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The presence of the Japanese terrorist, Kozo Okamoto, in Ramle prison invites the main Arab terrorist groups to compete in order to free him. Is it not preferable to get rid of him by handing him back to his country?

AVRAM STRUMSKY

Moshav Tzipori, May 17.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As I protested the storming of the El Al plane by Zahal, I also want to protest the method used this time, which lead to the death of a score of students.

MARTIN S. HOWARD

Tel Aviv, May 17.

Hillel interview

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — A short time ago, I wrote you a letter about the interview with Minister of Police Hillel concerning the death penalty. Mr. Hillel was opposed to the death penalty, arguing that absence of it induces the terrorists to surrender. I made the observation that, if this is so, then mandatory death penalty would prevent the terrorists from starting action, especially because they would know that in the end, they would probably be caught.

Now, after Ma'alot, I read in your paper that Mr. Dayan said: "The only way we can deal with them (the terrorists) is to make it quite clear that they will be killed." Correct, even with terrible risk for the hostages. So why is it not so without such risk?

ALEXANDER GURVITCH

Tel Aviv, May 17.

In cold blood

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — For the second time in as many months, Arab terrorists have murdered our children in cold blood. The motive of this attack, as of so many previous ones, was to obtain the release of Kozo Okamoto and other terrorists in Israeli prisons.

These outrages have occurred only because Israel is too decent and moral, and overly sensitive to public opinion. The Israeli Government, had it the courage, could stop these barbarous acts and save its precious children by occupying the hills of Southern Lebanon, whose government, by design or default, allows its territory to be used as a den of murderers.

Failing that, Israel should institute immediate capital punishment for all terrorists convicted of murdering civilians.

Some will say that this response will endanger the peace negotiations. It should be remembered that the terrorist bands could not exist without arms, money, sanctuary and other aid provided by Arab governments that claim to seek peace. If peace is what those governments really want, let them show good faith by rooting out those who make war on women and children.

ZEV STERN

Brooklyn, May 16.

Censure Lebanon

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We fail to understand why the government does not demand an emergency meeting of the Security Council to censure Lebanese aggression.

Lebanon is a country which harbours terrorist organizations, permits them to establish bases within her borders and, knowing that the avowed aim of their sick-minded adherents is to murder and maim innocent civilians, she must be deemed to condone their actions.

It must be remembered that Lebanon is still at war with Israel, and by permitting terrorists to carry out planned acts of aggression from her borders, she must be equally guilty with the terrorists for such acts. It seems that our Government has been too much on the defensive in the past and, whilst it would be foolish to expect the adoption of a U.N. resolution condemning Lebanon (foolish in the light of the farces which are acted out on the U.N. stage when Middle East questions are involved), at least the civilized world would, for once, hear our voice as accuser.

BERNARD CRAMMER
MICHAEL OPHIR

Jerusalem, May 16.

BBC 'guerrillas'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was horrified to hear in this morning's BBC early news their correspondent in Israel, David Sels, refer to the Ma'alot murderers as "guerrillas." Perhaps the BBC might install him in Belfast, and see what happens to him if he refers to the IRA as "guerrillas."

LAURENCE ELYAN

Nahariya, May 16.

Murdering of Jews

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The genocide being practised today by the Palestinian terrorists should be unequivocally condemned by the entire world for what it is. It is neither terrorism nor liberation when war and murder are directed against one people just because they are members of that people. The genocide that Hitler started with Arab encouragement (the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem) other Arabs are continuing today. It is inexcusable when world leaders put genocide in the same category as national self-defence by "regretting" equally the "actions of both sides." Civilian massacres by those who engage in genocide are surely different from attempts to stop such people at their sources. After the Nazi era, the world asked "Why did the Jews not fight back?" Today they condemn the Jews for defending themselves. How beautifully consistent!

The moral bankruptcy of organized Christendom was shown in the times of the Nazi holocaust when it failed to speak out with one voice. Its moral fiber was tried and found wanting. If it has really repented of that grievous sin, it has an opportunity to prove it today by standing with solidarity against these new genocidal movements.

The Rev. Dr. G. DOUGLAS YOUNG, President, American Institute of Holy Land Studies

Jerusalem, May 17.

Arab complicity

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The terrorist groups are functioning with the connivance and full approval of the various Arab countries and it is farcical for us to talk of disengagement and ultimate peace while the Arabs continue to use these murder gangs as part of their declared objective of destroying Israel.

Let us stop all negotiations with Arab countries until they put an end to terrorist activity. They can do it, and it would be the first real step towards understanding between us.

S. TEMKIN

Herzliya, May 16.

Shelter to killers

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As long as the State of Israel gives shelter and protection to the murderers who were convicted of killing innocent people of all ages, more and more such incidents as in Kiryat Shmona and Ma'alot can be expected. Instead of appeasing the murderers at Ma'alot for instance, the defence forces should have brought 200 of their fellow murderers held here and threatened to shoot them in batches until the children were freed.

KURT PERITZ

Kiryat Haim, May 15.

Deplorable policy

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I believe the deplorable policy of the outgoing Israel Government is responsible for the increased activity of the Palestinian resistance movement. Is not recognition of the right of self-determination of the Palestinian Arab nation on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip the only solution to the escalating conflict?

SHALOM ZAMIR

Amirim, May 17.

Then Ma'alot

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — First there was Lod. Then there was Munich. Then there was Kiryat Shmona. Then Ma'alot. In each case, we retaliated against the enemy, and what did it profit us? Did the terrorist menace diminish as a result of our retaliations? Definitely not. Obviously we need a new policy for dealing with the Palestinian problem that will bring peaceful results. But where are we to find the man or men with sufficient imagination to bring new, fresh ideas to the solution of the dilemma?

A. RUBENSTEIN

Bnei Brak, May 17.

Climax of anguish

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — When, after a day of mounting tension, culminating in the appalling climax of death and anguish at Ma'alot, it was announced that Mrs. Meir would address the nation, I fervently hoped she would respond appropriately to the disaster by doing one or both of two things:

a) call for a government of national unity; and

b) announce that the government would suspend — at least for a suitable period of mourning — all negotiations with murderers of children, those who condone such murders, and those who fail to rebuke them.

Pity that she did neither.

Mrs. ASHER ETTINGER

Petah Tikva, May 16.

Wipe them out

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am a citizen of the U.S. and here in Israel for a visit. Had events similar to those in Ma'alot occurred in the U.S., I am sure the Americans would have sent a large armed force into the country that sheltered the bandits and would have wiped them out without delay, as they did at the time of Pancho Villa.

MORRIS GUSS

Kibbutz Kinneret (Hollywood Fla.), May 16.

Ministers responsibl[e]

To the Editor of The Jerusalem P[ost]

Sir, — After the tragic e[...] in Ma'alot, I would assume [...] both Minister of Education A[...] and Minister of Police Hillel w[...] resign for permitting trips by s[...] children along the Lebanese bo[...]

YITZCHAK BER[...]

Jerusalem, May 15.

Teachers' escape

To the Editor of The Jerusalem P[ost]

Sir, — One of the most t[...] events of the day was the [...] escape of three teachers and [...] escorts who surely should hav[e re]mained with the pupils to calm [...] reassure them during their o[...] But not to run away. Will [...] "act of valour" which took [...] much of today's news, receive [...] attention from a disciplinary c[om]mittee? Why escort children s[...] if this is the reaction of respo[...] adults?

MIRIAM DOVDUSHA[...]

Herzliya, May 15.

Endangering childre[n]

To the Editor of The Jerusalem P[ost]

Sir, — Why must large gr[...] of children be taken to areas w[...] danger might befall them? [...] soldiers are being killed and wo[und]ed — must the future generat[...] also be endangered?

ROSE P. SHULM[...]

Haifa, May 15.

ACTIVITIES IN THE ISRAEL NATIONAL OPERA

The Israel National Opera is initiating far-reaching activities connected with new productions and repertoire to be performed in the very near future.

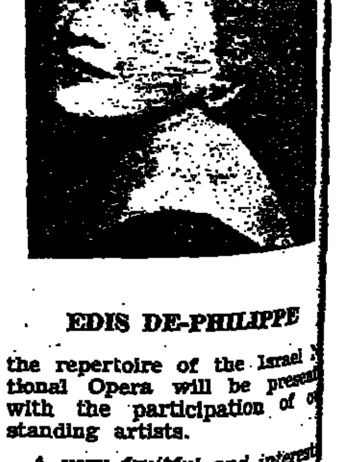
The Israel National Opera ensemble, under the direction of Edis De Philippe, will perform important masterpieces, repertoire works and operettas. A record number of 27 Israeli singers will take part in leading roles in the various productions. Fifteen additional singers will participate in supporting roles. A number of guest artists from the world's largest opera houses have expressed willingness to appear with the Israel National Opera. All necessary arrangements are being made.

The Israel National Opera continues to perform the successful production of Emmerich Kalman's "CIRCUS PRINCESS." This operetta and its performance were given excellent reviews. The attendance of thousands of music lovers at performances points to the broad trend of the public to return to the opera house, the concert hall, the theatres and certainly cinemas.

On June 1, Mozart's masterpiece, "THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO," will be performed in a full stage production, under the baton of Franklin Choset. In Edis De Philippe's production will appear the best Israeli singers of the Israel National Opera (separate announcements will be made soon).

In July, Emmerich Kalman's most famous operetta, "COUNTESS MARIZA," will be staged. Two additional operettas by the same composer, "SILVA" — The Gipsy Princess and "THE BAYADER," are to follow.

Important opera works like "TURANDOT" by Puccini "DON GIOVANNI" by Mozart, Gounod's "FAUST" and no less than seven other operatic works from



EDIS DE-PHILIPPE

the repertoire of the Israel [Na]tional Opera will be present[ed] with the participation of o[ut]standing artists.

A very fruitful and interest[ing] season awaits the friends of [the] Israel National Opera. Its [ma]nagement will lay stress on [per]formances outside Tel Aviv, a[nd] on "Omanut La'am" perfor[m]ances.

The opera's activities [...] music teachers, students [...] youngsters are received w[ith] great enthusiasm. The p[er]centage of young people atte[nd]ing the various opera perfo[rm]ances has tremendously increa[sed]. This encouraging development [is] specially important to the Is[rael] National Opera, and youth gro[ups] will be granted special re[duc]tions.

Beginning in May, all perf[orm]ances of the Israel National O[pera] will start at 8.30 p.m.

The management of the I[srael] National Opera and its Co[...] are happy to point out that [sol]diers of the Israel Defence F[orces] on leave may attend perf[orm]ances as guests. Thousands [...] already accepted this invita[tion] and in the future will als[o be] received as most honoured gu[ests].